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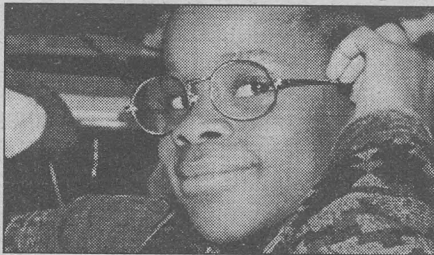
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Wellness center vote postponed until January

by Tammy Imhoff
Hatchet Staff Writer

The city's zoning board postponed its final decision on the University's proposed health and wellness center for at least another month and scheduled an additional hearing on the issue for mid-December.

The D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment was scheduled to vote Wednesday on GW's request to build the center at the corner of 23rd and G streets.

But after opponents of the center objected to additional testimony submitted by the University, the board scheduled another hearing to give the opponents a chance to respond to the

University's latest submission.

The hearing will be held Dec. 17, and the board will vote on the proposal early next year.

After a BZA hearing Oct. 15, GW was asked to submit information to clarify some of the board's questions.

Opponents said the submission was more than the requested findings of fact, claiming it included revised expert testimony on the capacity and uses of the center and on the additional automobile traffic the center would create.

BZA Chair Susan Hinton agreed that the new testimony submitted by the University was substantially different from the testimony provided by a traffic expert during the public hearing, but said she was reluctant to strike the new testimony from

the record.

However, GW Vice President for Business Affairs Al Ingle said the testimony submitted by the University is not new, but is simply a clarification of information already submitted to the board.

"The opposition asked questions in their testimony and we answered them. We didn't change what we said, we just stated it in a different way to answer their questions," Ingle said.

Ingle said the one-month delay will not significantly impact the University's timetable for the center's completion if the proposal is approved.

The University will incur additional legal fees as a result of the

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Student leaders set for tuition talks

Administrators, students to discuss University finances Friday

by Stacey Felsen
Hatchet Staff Writer

Student leaders and administrators will meet Friday to discuss tuition and budget priorities in a closed session at the Marvin Center's University Club.

The meeting was promised to student leaders by GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg last spring, when students protested this year's 6.9 percent increase in tuition

and fees and demanded more student input in the process.

"I am going into the meeting with the intention of listening," said Robert Chernak, vice president for student and academic support services.

Following Friday's meeting, student leaders will hold a debriefing in the Colonnade Gallery at 5:30 p.m. to advise students of the meeting's key points and to allow students another opportunity to discuss the

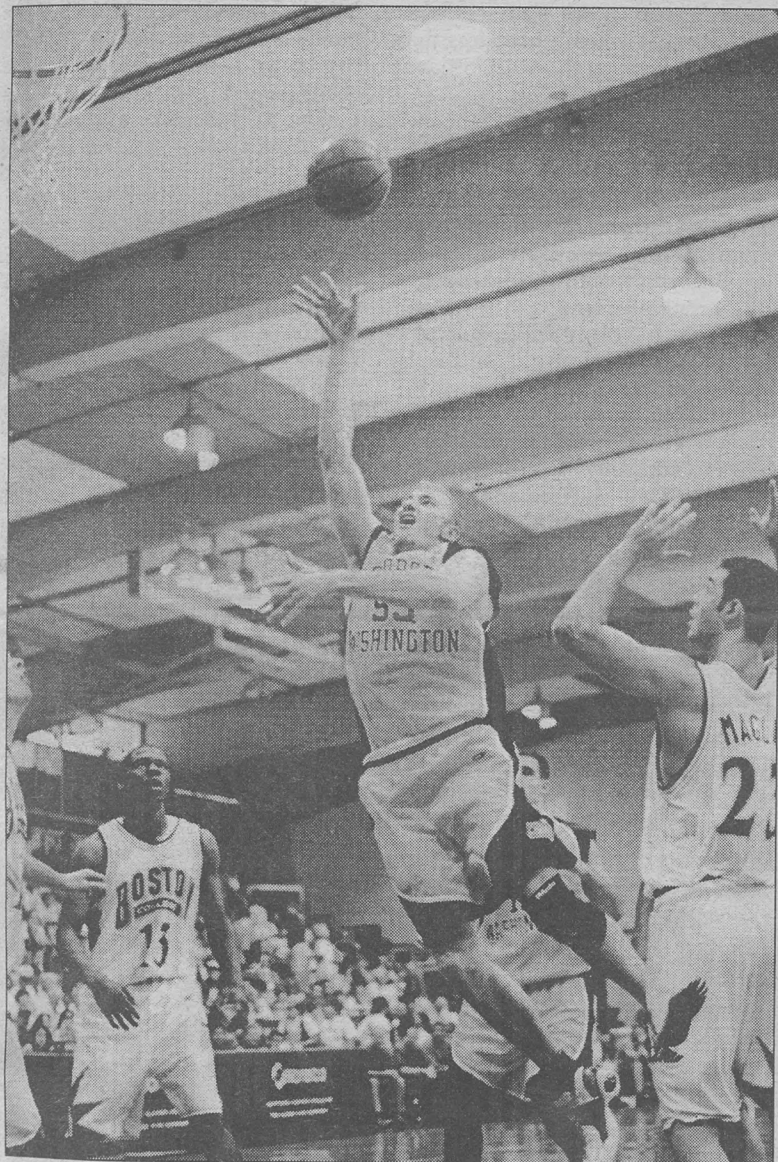
volatile issue.

Student Association President Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar said the University's Board of Trustees decided that students would be involved early on in the tuition process after last year's protests.

"I want (administrators) to know our concerns and want to see students incorporated from the get go," Golparvar said.

Golparvar said he would not like

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Claire Duggan/senior photo editor

BASKETBALL IN PARADISE

Junior Yegor Mescheriakov drives for two of his 11 points during GW's second game of the Maui Invitational, a 76-64 win over Boston College Nov. 25. See story, p. 13.

Online essays: Cheating in the Information Age

by Helder Gil
Hatchet Staff Writer

Web sites provide a way out for students on deadline

The deadline is a few short days away. The assignment: a 10-page paper analyzing the roots of the Weimar Republic's failure. So far, the computer screen is blank.

After weeks of procrastinating, what can an enterprising student do? Grab a credit card, log onto the Internet and download a sample essay from a "cybercheating" site. Turn it in as original work.

Welcome to the Information Age; please have your 15-digit credit card number handy.

Web sites abound to serve the needs of harried students. An Alta Vista search with the keywords "essay" and "cheat" brings up

thousands of matches. Additional searches on a specific paper topic call up dozens of related sites.

"We are aware of (cybercheating), but we have not had a case as yet of a student buying a paper online," said Freida Kulish, program manager of the GW Academic Integrity Council.

Kulish said faculty members conduct independent investigations of students who are suspected of cheating and then bring the charges before the Academic Integrity Council.

During the 1996-'97 academic year, seven hearings were held on cheating accusations.

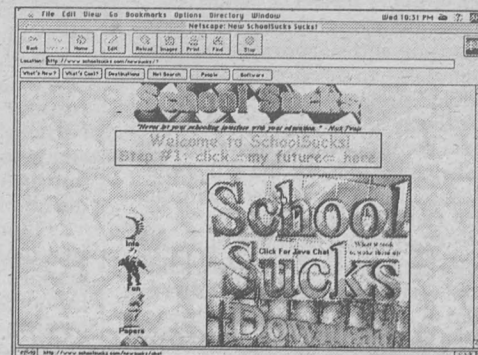
Twenty-three other cases were handled by faculty members.

Punishment for cheating can be any measure the faculty member chooses, from failing the student to expulsion, Kulish said.

"There haven't been any (cases of cybercheating) this year, but there have been suspensions," she said.

But with the number of sites on the Web, professors are hard-pressed to catch cybercheaters.

Political science Professor Michael Sodaro assigns a 10-page paper on the Weimar Republic each semester in his Introduction to Comparative Politics course, but said he has



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no idea how successful he is at catching cybercheaters. He said he does not anticipate much cybercheating in his undergraduate

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News Briefs

JIN introduces students to Japanese culture

The Japanese Intercultural Network held a study break Tuesday at the Marvin Center to give members a breather from the stress of final exams and to introduce students to Japanese culture.

"The Japanese culture is very complex," said senior Jennifer Ries, vice president of the organization. "We are trying to bring a better understanding to the George Washington community."

The 30 members, who include Japanese and East Asian Affairs majors, students who have studied in Japan and foreign students, organize events throughout the year in its effort to promote the Japanese culture.

One of the club's biggest events is its Spirit of Japan Festival. Last year, the event featured karaoke and food from area Japanese grocery stores and sushi restaurants.

The group plans to hold several other events this year, including introductions to traditional Japanese teas and ancient Buddhist rituals and a New Year's Party.

—Robert Luck

RHA Suitcase Party raises \$700 for housing scholarships

The Residence Hall Association held its annual Suitcase Party at J Street Nov. 20, raising more than \$700 for housing scholarships.

"The purpose of the Suitcase Party, much like all of our events — with the exception of Superdance — is to help raise money for housing scholarships and to provide social events that we feel students would enjoy," RHA Vice President for Special Events Alan Mok said.

The event was coordinated by Mok and RHA representatives Justin Lavella and Aaron Winn.

Prizes, including gift certificates to Lustre Dry Cleaning, Cosmic Universe and Safeway, were raffled off throughout the night.

But the most coveted prize of the night was airlines tickets for a trip for two to London. Sophomore Elizabeth Breitenhirt won the tickets.

"Everything went spectacularly," Mok said. "We had a great turnout, we pulled in a nice sum of money for housing scholarships. Everyone had a good time. I was very happy with the way it turned out."

—Brian Brennan

Student groups collect 300 gifts for homeless children

Santa will come a little early this year as the Student Association holds a party Dec. 7 to wrap the gifts student organizations have purchased for homeless children in the District.

The SA worked with Community Family Life Services — a coalition of three D.C. churches that offers job training, temporary housing and support to homeless families — to develop its "adopt a child" program.

Forty student groups and several community members bought Christmas gifts for the 110 homeless children served by Community Family Life Services.

Cindy Morris, community service coordinator for the SA, said the wrapping party, scheduled for 8 p.m. in the Colonial Commons, will feature a roaming Santa Claus, Christmas carols and free food.

"There are more than 300 presents to wrap — action figures and Barbie dolls, Sony Playstations, tricycles, art supplies, games and

books," Morris said.

"We chose to work with homeless kids because that seems to be the major problem that GW students encounter on a daily basis," she added.

Students will distribute the gifts to the children at parties Dec. 11 and 12. The first party will be held at Trinity Church in Southeast Washington and the second will be held at the Community Family Life Services Center.

Morris said the top participants in the program were Thurston Hall, which donated \$2,000 in gifts, and Mitchell Hall, which donated \$500 in gifts.

For more information on the program, contact Morris or SA Vice President for Community Affairs Adam Kinsinger at 994-7100.

—Becky Neilson

Smokeout urges students to 'kick butts'

GW hosted the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout Nov. 20 to encourage students to quit smoking cigarettes.

As part of the event, Student Health Services developed the "Butts for Bubbles" campaign. Students were offered the chance to exchange packs of cigarettes for bubbles at a table outside J Street.

"The bubbles were a promotional thing, a way to get people interested," said Patrick Preston, the Student Association's vice president for undergraduate student policy, who was involved in the project.

"We're just saying, 'try to quit smoking for one day,'" Preston said.

Smoking survival kits filled with gum, lollipops, how-to-quit smoking guides and inspirational stickers, such as "I Kicked Butts Today," were distributed at the table.

"The lollipops and gum takes care of the cravings," Preston said. "It's a different kind of hand-to-mouth action."

Stickers for non-smokers that said "Kiss Me, I Don't Smoke" and "Tobacco is a Drug Too" were also available in the kits.

"Most non-smokers wanted a survival kit for their friends. Everybody has a friend or relative or roommate who smokes," Preston said. "We probably got 75 smokers and 100 non-smokers (to come up to the table)."

—Eric Ladley

Elliott School forum explores Russia-NATO relations

The Elliott School of International Affairs will explore NATO's emerging relationship with Russia at a forum Thursday.

The military alliance announced in July plans to invite the Czech Republic, Hungary and Poland to join the organization. To allay fears about the eastward expansion, NATO signed a cooperation agreement with Russia.

Ambassador Marshall Brement of the European Center for Security Studies and Ambassador Nicholas A. Rey, the former U.S. envoy to Poland, will discuss the impact of the expansion and the deal brokered with Russia.

Elliott School professor Constantine Menges, director of the school's Program on Transitions to Democracy, will moderate the discussion.

The event, scheduled for 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Stuart Hall room 103, precedes the debate on NATO expansion set to take place in Congress early next year.

—Becky Neilson

SA surveys campus lighting

Project aims to repair, augment outdoor lighting

by Susan Schultz
Hatchet Staff Writer

A new Student Association initiative is aiming to identify areas on campus that lack adequate lighting and locations where existing fixtures need repair.

The goal of the campus lighting project is to identify lighting fixtures on campus that need repair and to look at areas that could use more light. The results will be collected in a report that will be sent to the Office of Business Affairs.

"The second police district, where GW is located, is statistically the safest in (D.C.), but we can't be lax about it," said Scott Levy, the SA's director of security affairs. "Our objective is to ensure that students live on a safe campus."

Last month, Levy, SA President Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar and University Police Director Dolores Stafford toured campus in a shuttle bus to assess campus lighting. They were joined by representatives from the Office of Judicial Affairs, the Office of Business Affairs and the Dean of Students Office.

The group examined campus lighting and District-maintained lighting in areas where crimes have occurred.

Locations that were identified in the group's initial survey included the sidewalk in front of Mitchell Hall

where an incorrect bulb had been placed in a fixture, and in front of the Smith Center, where there were no lights in the parking lot on the night of a basketball game.

Levy said he expects all necessary repairs and additional lighting to be completed by April 1.

SA undergraduate Sen. Cat Sadler (CSAS) became involved in the SA's Campus Lighting Improvement Project after she was confronted by a homeless man at 3 a.m. in late October on the way to her apartment. She said the street-light in the area where she was approached was not working.

"I was coming home from a study group in the Marvin Center late at night when a homeless man grabbed my arm near Student Health," Sadler said.

Sadler said she reported the incident to UPD the night it occurred and stressed that the broken light bulb should be replaced. She said she spoke with UPD officers every night for the next two weeks.

But Sadler said she was talking to the wrong people.

"The University does a good job of lighting, but the city lighting is the problem," Sadler said.

Stafford explained the University does not control street lighting, but it tries to supplement it by mounting lights on University buildings.

"We cannot continue to supple-

ment D.C. lighting when they are being irresponsible," she said.

Sadler said UPD officers called the D.C. Department of Public Works with a list of repairs to city-owned equipment near campus, including the broken light Sadler reported.

"The problem is that the D.C. Public Works crews will only come out during the day and they would look at the wrong lights," Stafford said.

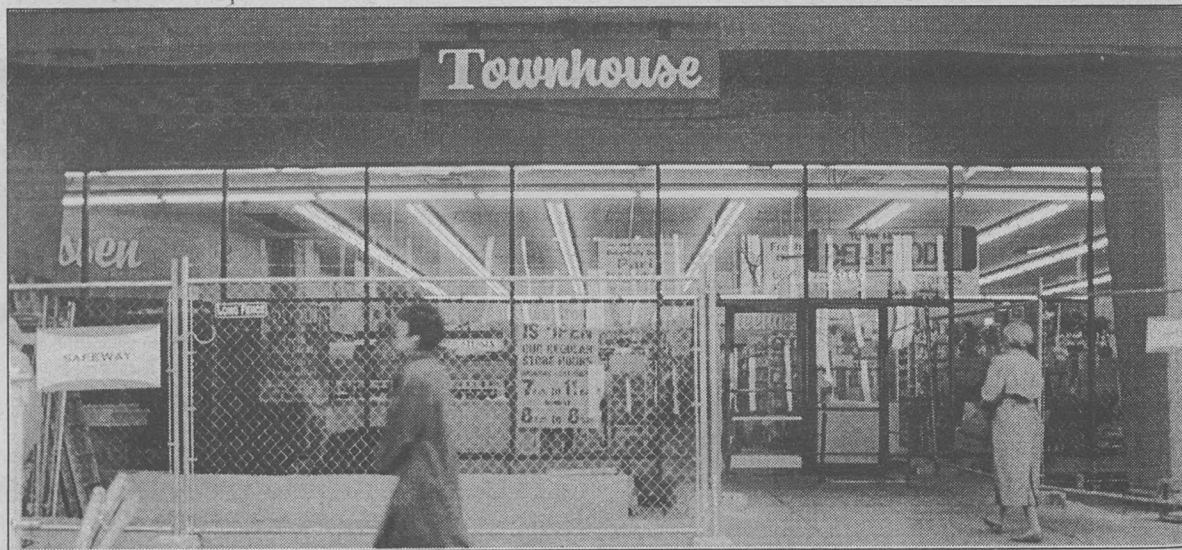
She said the District-owned lights near Thurston Hall are broken and the light across the street from Francis Scott Key Hall flickers.

Stafford has attempted to mark District-owned light posts with numbers or tape to make it easier for city crews to identify lighting that needs repairs.

The SA has been working with D.C. Councilman Jack Evans (Ward 2) to facilitate better communication between the University and the city's public works department.

"The Councilman will call his contacts over at public works to make them aware of the lighting repairs," said Damian McKenna, an intern in Evans' office. "If the SA could fax their final report to the Councilman, he would put his name on it, which might speed up the process."

Representatives of the public works department were unavailable for comment.



Safeway's Townhouse supermarket on L Street will shut its doors by the end of the year. A CVS pharmacy will open in its place.

L Street Safeway to close its doors

by Laura Hertzfeld
Hatchet Reporter

Safeway's Townhouse supermarket at 21st and L streets is scheduled to close by the end of the year. The store, one of few supermarkets in the area that serves GW students, will be replaced by a CVS pharmacy.

Several CVS stores are within walking distance of campus, but the only other options for grocery shopping are the Safeway in the Watergate complex and the Safeway on Wisconsin Avenue in Georgetown.

"It's a shame that this is closing because its location is ideal for many GW students and Washington residents," said

Danielle Pearlberg, who lives in The Aston. "The last thing we need is another CVS."

GW students and D.C. residents are upset about the store's closing, and have expressed their concern to city officials at meetings and on fliers in the Foggy Bottom and West End neighborhoods.

Local efforts to save the Safeway have not been successful. According to Adam Kinsinger, vice president for community affairs for the Student Association, the contract with CVS was negotiated in October and the community was not informed of the decision in time to revert the contract.

"There is nothing left to do except petition and protest," Kinsinger said. "This does present a good opportunity, though, for stu-

dents and the community to work together on a common issue."

The store's closing may force many elderly residents who live in Foggy Bottom and West End to travel farther for their groceries.

"(The residents) are very upset, especially the elderly, since they depend on that store exclusively for their food," said Eric Caswell, manager of the Carriage House apartment building on L Street and New Hampshire Avenue.

The Foggy Bottom Association discussed the store's closing at a meeting Nov. 24. Kinsinger said a proposal was made by Foggy Bottom residents to create a co-op store where students and community members could work together to provide a service for the neighborhood.

Senate absenteeism postpones two votes

by Tammy Imhoff

Hatchet Staff Writer

The Student Association Senate delayed votes on two changes to its bylaws because not enough senators were present at the last meeting of the semester Tuesday.

The bills, a bylaw that would create the Tuition Action Commission and an amendment to the bylaw that lays out the Senate allocation process, are expected to be brought to vote at the first Senate meeting in the spring.

Only 12 senators were present at Tuesday's meeting. According to the SA's constitution, any change to a Senate-bylaw must be approved by two-thirds of the full Senate - 17 senators.

The proposal to establish a tuition commission stems from the creation this semester of a tuition task force, charged by SA President Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar to investigate students' concerns about tuition increases and University spending.

According to undergraduate Sen. Jesse Strauss (CSAS), a bylaw to establish the commission would ensure that a group would be formed every year. Strauss emphasized, however, that the bill is not timely, since the tuition task force is already in place for this year.

"TAC is not time-sensitive," Strauss said. "Hopefully everybody will get their senator friends out to the next meeting so we can vote on both bylaws."

The second bill was to change the bylaw that controls the way Senate funds are allocated. At a Senate meeting earlier this semester, Executive Vice President Tony Sayegh, who has complete discretion over the allocation of the Senate's funds under the current bylaws, earmarked \$5,000 of the Senate's funds to help the Program Board pay for Homecoming.

The proposed amendment would create more checks on how the money is allocated. For instance, it

would require the EVP to consult the chairs of the Senate's standing committees before making a financial decision. Under the proposal, if a majority of the chairs do not consent, the expenditure would have to be approved by the entire Senate.

The Senate was able to pass several other bills which only required a majority vote.

The Senate passed a resolution to encourage the University to wire all residence halls for Ethernet and cable television.

Strauss, who sponsored the bill, said the University's current plans are to use its facilities management crews to have the residence halls wired within the next six years. However, Strauss said that by hiring an outside contractor, the University could have the residence halls wired in two years, with no increase in cost.

The Senate also passed a resolution to urge the University to allow student groups to place posters on the Quad and in the Academic Center breezeway to publicize their events. The current poster policy does not allow groups to poster in those locations.

According to the GW Distribution and Posting Policy, groups which poster in non-approved areas are subject to "organizational sanctions" including fines, service charges and a loss of student organization registration privileges.

Undergraduate Sen. Patrick Macmanus (at large), who sponsored the bill, said the current poster policy is inadequate to serve the needs of student organizations. He said that putting posters on the Quad will foster more of a "college atmosphere" at the University.

Macmanus is working with the Student Activities Center to form a committee to review the campus poster policies.

He said he hopes to provide student groups with clear information on where posting is allowed and on the responsibilities of groups regarding posters.



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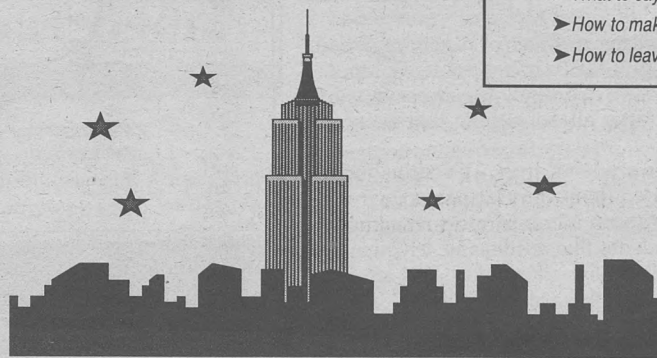
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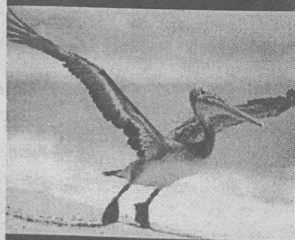
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In GW we trust?

Tuition. A word hated by all GW students and their parents. Ben Franklin used to say that in life, only two things were certain – death and taxes. College students can add another to the list: yearly increases in college costs above inflation levels.

Tomorrow, University officials will devote a couple of hours of their time to listen to a gathering of student leaders. The student leaders will tell administrators students' feelings on what would be viewed as an acceptable tuition increase. But regardless of what the students say, it is unlikely their arguments will be able to substantially sway the views of administrators – while not yet written in stone, it is unrealistic to think that next year's budget numbers still are written in pencil.

Something tomorrow's discussion should focus a significant amount of time on is students' lack of faith in the University. According to a Student Association poll, three-quarters of respondents do not believe they are getting in knowledge what their \$20,000 a year should give them. This statistic should make all University administrators stop and think. A full 75 percent of these students don't believe that they are getting their money's worth from the University.

At the top of students' concerns is academics. Crowded classrooms are an impediment to learning. How are people supposed to be focused on learning when they have to sit on radiators or on the floor because of a lack of space? What kind of personal attention can students get when there are dozens and dozens of students in their classes? Where is the low student to faculty ratio that all the promotional materials emphasize?

Smaller classes, in conjunction with a greater number of highly-regarded, qualified and distinguished professors, will give GW a better academic reputation. This is a win-win situation – students' GW degrees will increase in value and administrators will look good. That is, after all, something that everyone wants.

It is the University's responsibility to earn students' trust. The entire budget process, as well as its end results, are shrouded in mystery. To prove their contention that students' money is being wisely spent, administrators should open up the process to public scrutiny. Treat students like adults and let them see where their money is going. While things like new gates and parks are nice, they will not help students land interviews and jobs; academics will.

If the University truly views itself as an institution whose first and foremost concern is to teach students, then it must do so. It needs to make sure its students' academic needs and concerns are fulfilled. If the University views itself mainly as a corporation, then it has a responsibility to provide its customers and shareholders the services they purchase. Either way, GW must redeem itself in the eyes of those whose futures are in its hands.

Pollin's palace

Lately, the MCI Center has been at the fore of GW students' minds. The question of where Commencement will be held continues to frustrate and worry students. Our views about Commencement are still the same – the Ellipse tradition should continue. But we too can appreciate the importance of the new MCI Center to the downtown D.C. area.

The MCI Center long has been the dream of Washington Wizards owner, and GW Board of Trustees member, Abe Pollin. The Center has created about 900 jobs for D.C. residents. This number is just of those working inside the arena; it does not count the many new businesses opening in the arena's vicinity. The Center is projected to bring tens of millions of dollars to the city.

Downtown has a chance of rebirth. Years of neglect and municipal mismanagement resulted in an exodus of people and businesses from the area. At dusk, the area was virtually deserted; now the Center will draw thousands of people to the area. Local restaurants and stores hope to ride on the coattails of the arena's expected financial success. District residents hope the dilapidated downtown soon will be just a bad memory.

GW students can experience the MCI Center for themselves at the Franklin National Bank Classic basketball tournament this weekend. Fans can see the men's basketball team take on Penn in the first round. But regardless of how good all the seats in the house are supposed to be, and how nifty the interactive video games are, students should not find themselves being wowed by a laser show at the MCI Center May 17.

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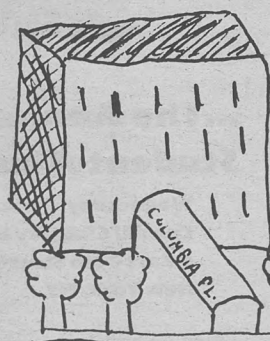
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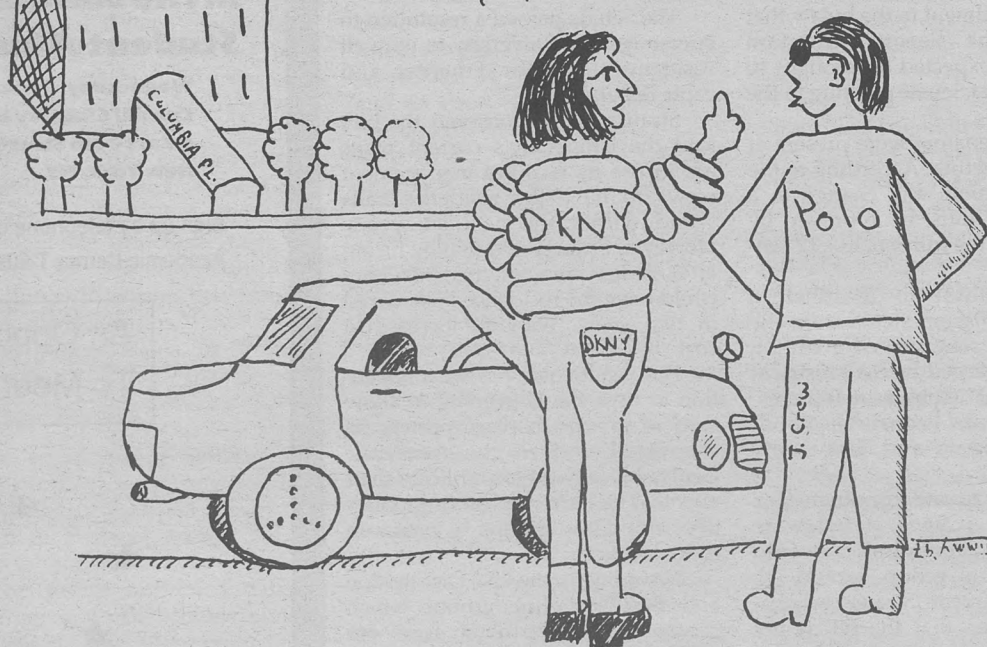
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"Like, I don't understand why those 48 kids should get special treatment. I mean, what ever happened to us all being equal and stuff?"



Letters to the Editor

Financial confusion

The GW Hatchet's front page article "Student Association redefines group funding" Nov. 17 contained several inaccuracies and misrepresentations.

The Commission for Responsible Financial Allocation was created three months ago by SA Executive Vice President Tony Sayegh, who appointed the commission members and scheduled them to begin work following fall allocations in mid-October.

Instead of seeking facts from EVP Tony Sayegh, commission head Sens. Bob Nelson, or Finance Committee Chair J.P. Blackford, statements were solicited from two self-appointed spokesmen, Sens. Jason Haber and Mark Levin. As another commission member, I am disappointed by the misinformation intentionally spread by The Hatchet and SA undergraduates.

The description of "the current channel" was muddled at best. The SA, like student governments at most universities, funds student groups through appropriations deliberated by the legislative branch and subjected to approval by the executive branch.

The pool of money used to support the 200 GW student groups via direct allocations and co-sponsorships is derived from the so-called mandatory "activities fee" (the line-item on a semester bill below "tuition"). The University administration earmarks a certain percentage to be granted to student groups through the SA.

Gaining a larger percentage of the fee from the administration, boosting the quality of support to groups and evaluating allocation mechanisms are all among the issues being considered by the commission. Contrary to The Hatchet's insinuation, the commis-

sion was not created because of a presumed dissatisfaction with the Senate Finance Committee. Although a feeling of "total disappointment" with the SA may be Levin's personal motivation and the source of his bombastic remarks, the commission as a whole could be described as working to improve, not replace, the current system.

Two years ago, in a published interview with Independence Magazine, Blackford responded to a question about line-item budget allocations decided by a committee of elected representatives. He said: "You're voting as a student for your senator. You're voting for that person to represent you. This is the same way it's done in the U.S. You're not voting for this amount of money to go to the defense budget. You're voting for somebody deciding that. So obviously if you're concerned, you can choose to vote or not to vote for a Senate candidate."

Levin employed the phrase "taxation without representation" and criticized the composition of the finance committee. Senators face popular election every year. Committees and chairs are then elected internally. Chairs are held accountable throughout their tenures. The record shows that Blackford has achieved broad support and respect as finance chair.

Another mistake in the article was the false statement that the commission has endorsed the voucher system described by Levin. The commission has neither completed the student survey nor put forth any reform proposals, even unofficial ones. The Hatchet could have noted the specifics of Levin's idea in a responsible manner by also mentioning the myriad of other suggestions the commission may consider.

The efforts of our campus publications to keep students informed on financial issues is appreciated. I wish The Hatchet success in approaching a higher standard of fact-checking and editing.

—Emily Cummins
CSAS graduate senator

Irresponsible journalism

During the past month, The GW Hatchet has featured numerous articles pinpointing alcohol-related incidents among student groups. The articles included alcohol poisoning and binge drinking, not to mention alcohol-related deaths that are plaguing campuses nationwide.

In the Nov. 24 Hatchet, the winning picture of the Free Travel Contest was published with it was a caption that read, "Matt McGrath enjoys a tough night in Cancun" (p.9).

If you luckily bypassed this blatant display of irresponsible journalism, you missed a photograph of a person passed out on the floor with a joint in his mouth, shaving cream all over his face and arms, a bong on his stomach and another by his side, Skoal chewing tobacco and a box of Trojan condoms in his hand. What message was this supposed to send?

As a student at GW, I was personally disgusted that my school newspaper would publish such a picture. In doing so, not only was such obnoxious behavior condoned, but publicized as well.

For partaking in the illegal activities and substance abuse that the photo showed, that person is now being rewarded with a free trip. Because he partied irresponsibly and unsafely, he is now being given the opportunity to do it all over again, courtesy of The Hatchet.

—Deborah Klotz
junior

Rob tells all the world about his romantic life's trail of tears

I am writing this article for my testosteroneed brethren who have yet to find true love in the George Washington social permafrost.

True, it sometimes seems as if that special someone is not around the corner. It sometimes seems as if your true love is hooking up with the British soccer players. It sometimes seems as if Palmella Handerson will be your life-mate. Take heart my less-than-strikingly handsome compatriots, I proffer you hope. I have found love. True, I can't write anything about her because she is embarrassed by me and thinks Tryg Olsen is funnier than I am, but still, behind closed doors she sometimes lets me hold her hand.

How did I do it? How did this gork - (a couple weeks ago, The Hatchet corrected my "gork" self-reference to "dork." I am not a dork and was offended. Gorks are tall lanky dorks. The height puts us a cut above. So Hatchet editors, stop f-ing with the pecking order in my world-view.) How did this gork manage it? It was a long process. Here brothers is my chronological trail of tears beginning with Colonial Inauguration:

1.) Amora - This tall blond "Justice of the Peace" introduced herself to me and I was smitten. I later found out she had smited the whole GW male/lesbian population. After a few hellos on the street, our relationship petered out and a couple years later I stopped having wet dreams about her.

2.) Amanda - This four week relationship in Thurston Hell seemed like my longest relationship

ever. Probably because up until that point in my life it was my longest. I like to think that her parents pressured her into dropping me because I was a gentile. Whatever the case, she said she needed some time apart. That was three years ago and she still wants more time.

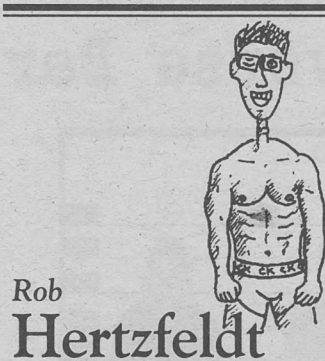
3.) Donyell, Danielle? - This was my first one-night-stand ever. (No, we didn't go all the way, you perv.) It began at the 1994 SAE Halloween party. I was dressed up as a Pakistani (courtesy of my roomie Ali Ayub) and she was dressed up as a genie. Her brother brought us beers at the party and woke us up in the morning. Now that I think about it, that whole sibling thing was a little weird.

4.) Anonymous - I spent way too much time with this girl in the hopes of making the tricky friend-to-lover switch. I think one of the reasons I was so stricken by this woman was that, by the stories she told, she was about 500 times more sexually experienced than I was. Every time we played truth or dare she dropped my jaw and raised my flag. When I finally got up the gazungas to propose the switch she said, "No. But do you want to go shopping?" That answer was rather disappointing to me and all the other guys crowded around the telephone. That night she hooked up with a chunky uglier-than-me-smelly-atrophied-big-haired-punkus-humunkous at a Sigma Cheese party and probably added to her exploits. Being the man that I am, I ended our friendship to retain some of my honor.

5.) Cindy - I like to think our

relationship didn't take off in Thurston Hell because we both had three roommates and we never got any privacy. Yeah, right. I'm a big WIENER. Although I do remember one time asking her if she wanted to go in the bathroom. She didn't like that idea. I miss her hair.

6.) Sig Kapp Mia - I spent my whole sophomore year with this female. Once again, weenie Rob tried to assure himself he only thought of her as a friend. I never did go for the switcheroo (probably because I liked her too much to scare her). I still love her because she



Rob Hertzfeldt

brought me soup when I was sick. At least I think she did. I don't know, I forget. Anyway I still love her, even though she thinks she is better than I am now that she is in SIGMA KAPPA. She promised to take me to a Sigma Kappa event before I die (graduate), but it appears she prefers taking fraternity boys' pet hamsters to taking *moi*.

7.) Lee - (now my boss at The

Hatchet); I attempted a friend-lover switcheroo here but I was caught in the act by her roommate who was suspicious as to why I only talked to Lee and not her. Her roommate joyfully broke the news to me that Lee was taken and shamed me into barrenness for the rest of sophomore year. Thanks a lot Reena.

8.) Sig Kapp Paula - After a week of psyching myself up and ulcer attacks, I called this girl I hardly knew (hey bud, she smiled at me once) and offered to take her out to dinner. She said this week was filled. OK fine. Then she said she thought the next week was filled also. I quickly caught on to the pattern and exited the conversation in defeat. Looking back, one of her roommates once said I smelled like sausage. I hope that was not the reason for Paula's apprehension.

9.) Sig Kapp Kristin - As you can tell I am quite the stud with the Sig Kappers. Freshman year I had Kristin on an almost *Amoran* level. When I found out Kristin was a mere mortal, I immediately took the opportunity to get to know her. She once told me that if she and I were both single by graduation she and I would do fun things together. Ahem. (She didn't even mind my suggestion of dendration - sex in trees.) I still think I might have gotten somewhere if I had gotten up the gazungas to make the switcheroo. Now she is happily with a Delta Tau Delta. Lucky bastard.

10.) Jennifer - Things began well here. I hardly knew her, so there was no switcheroo to deal with. Unfortunately, I also didn't realize that we were as compatible as Liddy

Dole and Marilyn Manson. When I tried to make her laugh, I could see the look of fear in her eyes. She thought I was one f-ed up m.f. She dumped me after the GW Inaugural Ball (dancing a whole dance on my friend's shoulders probably didn't help, making me a nine foot tall gork). After I burned our pictures in my sink and some dude friends forced me to go to Camelot, my heart recovered. I would still kill barn swallows to be with her physically.

11.) Hare Krishna. Rob finds HAPPINESS with a very slow switcheroo.

So now little Willy Newport, you see that you too may find true love at GW even if you are a big WIENER like me with emotional scars the size of Stephen Joel Trachtenberg's mustache across your heart. Try, try, try again my fellow soldiers.

And for the females out there who are trying to land that man, I have a simple word for you - CLEAVAGE. I know it is shallow. I know it is a shame. But it works a lot better than those pea coats. There is a girl on campus with whom I fell in love with when she bent over in the computer lab exposing the top of her breast area to me two years ago. Even though I don't even find her attractive, especially since her freshman 15 had telescoped geometrically, I would still marry her because of that holy moment down in the dungeon of CIRC which will shine across Rob's memory for eternity.

Now that I have all my readers pumped up, COMMENCE MAKING LOVE. Remember to use a condom. Thank you.

SA will lead the fight for GW students' tuition concerns

Conventional wisdom says that on the tuition issue, everyone loses. The students never get what they want (more value for their tuition dollar), while administrators appear to be greedy businessmen bent on squeezing every dollar out of students. The facts support this: Tuition has increased 28 percent during the last six years, and the mysterious "student fee" has increased a whopping 293 percent.

While tuition and fees are up, financial aid is down. Total academic merit aid was reduced by two million dollars from 1995-1996, resulting in 300 less students receiving academic merit aid. The amount of tuition paid for by grants and scholarships in total decreased by 11 percent while the amount of tuition paid for by student loans increased by 31 percent and the amount of tuition paid for by parent loans increased by 39 percent.

While the administration increased tuition and decreased per student financial aid, it also demanded that academic departments reduce their adjunct faculty budgets by 18 percent. These orders had the effect of increasing class sizes as well as the student to faculty ratio. Basically, while paying for school, the quality of education actually is decreasing. Don't believe us? Check the information out for yourself. It's in GW's archives on the second floor of the under-funded Gelman Library.

Obviously there is a problem.

The Student Association has conceded the fact that tuition will rise each year, often at levels above what students find acceptable. Our new strategy is to have input in where the money goes. At a university like GW, controlling the money is tantamount to controlling the direction of the institution. President Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar set up a tuition commission, headed by Rusty Stahl, which has been busy soliciting student input on what budgetary priorities they believe their money should be spent on.

Planning for future years has also been a priority of the SA. The SA Senate is considering an addition to its bylaws requiring the SA to work on the tuition issue every year in a standardized way. This bylaw will allow students to speak about the tuition issue coherently and as a unified body. Whether or not the administration listens, the students will be talking. As student leaders, this is the responsible course of action, one that should have been taken long ago.

However much the SA is doing this year to voice student concerns, it should leave us all a bit unsatisfied. A system designed to solicit student input is useless unless the administra-

tion listens. But why should the administration listen? Why should they care?

Some contend that the way to make the administration care is by building a grassroots movement that can't be ignored, one capable of causing great unpleasantness if not recognized. Having gone down that path, we can say that at GW, that does not work. The school of thought we now subscribe to is a more intellectual one. The tide of history is on our side, not because we are students at GW in 1997, but rather because we are educated consumers.

The intellectual underpinning of the tuition input movement is this: Undergraduates and most graduate students today are a generation that grew up in the age of high consumerism, which we are very much living in today. Our society creates needs for itself through savvy marketing and then fulfills those needs in every possible color and size.

Some said that the age of high consumerism would produce passive consumers who take what they are given and like it because they were told they would. However, the intellectual element of our generation (which every GW student is a part of, believe it or not) realizes that consumerism is a two-way street. As discerning consumers, we get what we want, not what we are given. To us, buying everything from a burrito to a car is a dialogue between the producer and the consumer.

When we purchase anything, we take ownership in it, now and forever. We expect nothing less than this from those who are producing and selling to us our \$20,000 a year education.

Education was never regarded as something that was bought and sold until brilliant college administrators decided to make the cost of higher education in a four-year private institution outrageously expensive. Once this happened, universities such as GW had to commit to elaborate marketing in order to make a \$100,000 dollar investment in education seem worth it.

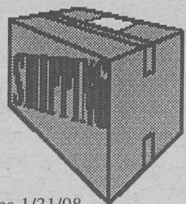
In a very real sense the tuition issue of the late 1990s is an example of the chickens coming home to roost. Students have been turned into consumers of a marketed product and the University administrations are a producer. In such a paradigm, students have the right to make their grievances known to the administration, and the administration has the responsibility to address these grievances.

It is with this understanding of the tuition issue that we urge every student to utilize the SA to voice our collective demands to the University administration. On Friday, Dec. 5, student leaders will meet with University administrators to present to them the findings of the Student Budgetary Priority project. Using the process established this year, the SA will conduct future surveys such as this to gauge students' budgetary priorities.

By airing our grievances to the administration in a responsible and coherent way, the students of GW will be able to establish an equitable relationship with University administrators and finally take ownership in the institution that is educating us.

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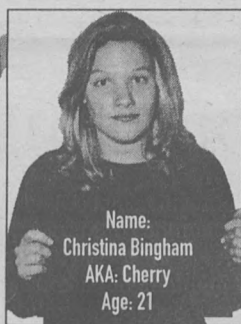
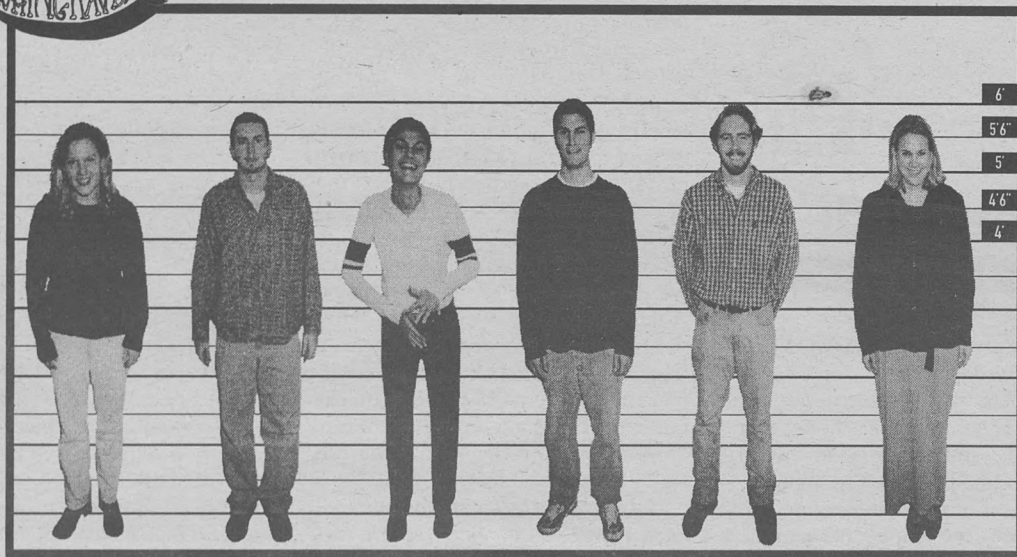
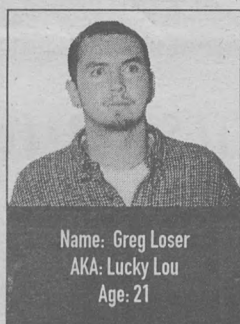
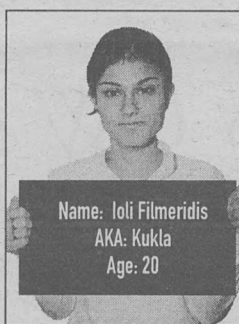
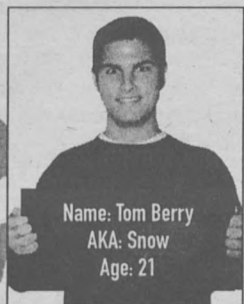
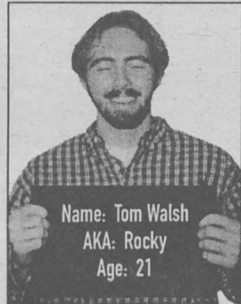
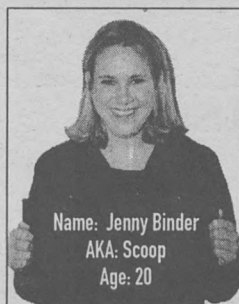
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Time keeps ticking on Iran's nukes

Tick ... tock. By the time this year's senior class graduates in the spring, Iran, the world's largest sponsor of international terrorism, could possess an advanced missile program capable of wreaking havoc on its targets. While Iran already does have a missile program, the concern is that the range of these missiles will increase to

such a distance as to pose a direct threat to U.S. interests abroad. So with good reason, the Iranian missile program has increasingly become a threat to international stability, causing great concern among foreign policy leaders both in the United States and abroad.

Today, American and Israeli security experts concur that if current levels of missile technology continue to flow into Iran, within six months Iran could be capable of firing these missiles at its enemies. Fortunately, we might be able to keep Iran from attaining this military leverage. Because much of the technology is imported by Iran from Russia and China, we can concentrate our efforts on the source of this pipeline of technology. So far, we have been unable to convince Russia and China to halt these transfers. Even a personal visit from Vice President Gore could not sway the Russians to stop.

Now Congress is taking the initiative by introducing legislation aimed at stopping Russian and Chinese suppliers to Iran. The Iran Missile Proliferation Sanctions Act of 1997, which has at least 69 co-sponsors in the Senate and at least 150 co-sponsors in the House, requires the president to submit a report to Congress 30 days after enactment listing the foreign entities responsible for contributing to Iran's missile program. These entities then could be sanctioned by the United States, forcing them to choose between Iran and the United States.

These missiles, with a range of up to 1,000 miles, may seem of little consequence until we realize that we have thousands of troops stationed within that range. Our soldiers will be in serious danger if we allow Iran to acquire this dangerous capability.

Furthermore, every enemy of Iran, especially our close Israeli and Persian Gulf allies, has reason to fear that Iran could shoot one of these deadly missiles at their populations.

Some people believe that we do not need to fear the Iranian missile threat, contending that Iran recently has shown signs of moderation, as evidenced by the election of Iranian President Mohammed Khatami. However, Khatami has yet to prove that he is the "moderate" some people make him out to be. In fact, *U.S. News and World Report* stated in September that Khatami is "reportedly eager to accelerate Iran's military nuclear development program."

I do not believe we can rely on Iran's "moderation" to ease our conscience regarding the threat of their missile program.

Many American foreign policymakers agree that the Iranian missile threat is one of the greatest challenges to international stability. Leaders from the White House, the State Department, the Defense

Department and Congress have admitted that it is now imperative to stop the Iranians before they fully acquire the technological know-how necessary to produce their own deadly weapons.

Now is the time to stop Iran; if we wait any longer, it

may be too late. Allowing Iran's missile program to continue to grow will be a costly error for everyone. If Iran does succeed in attaining this missile capability, time will only tell what the price will be for the rest of the world. Spring is only months away, so by the time we pack up and go home for the summer, there may be a new threat with which the world will have to deal. Tick ... tock. Tick ... tock.

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A permanent solution to get rid of the Saddam problem

The brewing crisis in the Gulf, the byproduct of the failure of the Bush Administration to liberate Iraq as well as Kuwait, could be the defining moment of the Clinton presidency. More important than fund-raising scandals, sexual harassment allegations and Whitewater, Clinton's true legacy, which in the area of foreign policy has in the past been sufficiently lacking, will be forged in Iraq. If Clinton stands firm and potentially rids the world of the cancer that holds court in Baghdad, then his legacy will be that of greatness, and not mediocrity.

Saddam's latest test of the will of the international community was perfectly timed. The cohesion that held the Desert Storm coalition was beginning to crumble. While French, Russian and Chinese oil companies were signing deals with Iraq, their governments were attempting to weaken the post-war United Nations sanctions.

Iraq's Persian Gulf neighbors, who also are suffering under the sanctions, were trying to erode support for continued sanctions, and they have made it clear that they would not support U.S. military attacks against Iraq. Put simply, Saddam Hussein was stronger now than he has been since before the Gulf War.

This alone is not the reason for Iraq's opposition to American involvement in the United Nations Special Commission (UNSCOM), the organization charged with ensuring Iraqi compliance with U.N. resolutions that bar Iraqi development and stockpiling of chemical, biological and nuclear weapons.

During the last six years Iraq has continually thwarted and defied efforts by UNSCOM, including shredding documents, barring inspectors from sites, physically impeding inspectors within the sites and blatantly lying to U.N. inspectors. Saddam's latest tactic, to bar U.S. inspectors, was obviously planned to prevent UNSCOM from uncovering part of the strate-

gic stockpile of chemical weapons that it knows he has. Reports indicate that inspectors were on to something just as the latest crisis began.

However, while the problems are many, the solutions are relatively few. The "popular" course of action will be to maintain existing sanctions, and possibly press for new ones. However, the last six years prove, beyond a doubt, that sanctions are incapable of liberating Iraq. Sanctions were useless before a rift in the international community threatened their existence, now it is simply a question of when sanctions will be lifted, not if.

Clinton's other choice is another round of "pin prick" strikes that, in the end, do no real damage to Saddam's military machine or ruling clique, and leave him in a stronger position than when he started. This was evident last

November when Clinton launched 27 cruise missiles against targets in northern Iraq. Shortly after, Clinton's National Security Advisor, Anthony Lake, tes-

tified that the strikes reinforced Saddam's leadership.

What is needed now is a change of strategies and tactics in dealing with Saddam and Iraq. The sanctions that have been in place since 1991 do more

damage to the people of Iraq than to its leaders. But the ultimate blame must fall on Saddam Hussein and those around him. A new strategy must be formed that promotes an active change of leadership in Iraq: Saddam Hussein must go.

This will require that the United States - unilaterally if necessary, together with like-minded states if possible - must use

overwhelming military force to finally destroy the remnants of Iraq's elite Republican Guard that survived Desert Storm; bolster support for anti-Saddam groups operating in the North, such as the Iraqi National Congress (INC); and remove Saddam Hussein from power, while helping form a viable

government that represents the whole of the Iraqi people.

We should not let the follies of past presidents doom us forever. Therefore, we must have relief from the Carter Administration's executive order that prevents the assassination of foreign leaders. Saddam Hussein does not deserve

such respect.

This is a tall order, and it is unlikely that Clinton will find the inner courage to support its measures. However, this is the only way the people of Iraq will escape from under the debilitating sanctions, and for the international community to rid itself of the war criminal,

whose indifference to life is appalling. Saddam's continued defiance must be met, before he again uses his weapons of mass destruction. For the good of the world, especially the good people of Iraq, let's fix Saddam Hussein - permanently.

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CSAS looks to reshape its advising program

by Claire Duggan
Hatchet Staff Writer

In an effort to give students better direction for their studies, faculty members and students are working to improve the undergraduate advising system in the Columbian School of Arts and Sciences.

"There have always been problems with advising, but now there's motivation to change it," said Student Association undergraduate Sen. Carrie Potter (at large), chair of the Senate's Academic Affairs Committee. "There's a lot of communication and the faculty has been really open to hearing our ideas."

Administrative committees and the SA plan to alleviate problems in the present system to make advising a more effective endeavor for students, CSAS Associate Dean Kim Moreland said.

Moreland said her top priorities are improving the freshman advising workshops and enhancing the overall advising process for first-year students. Improvements specifically are intended to help students who have not declared a major and those not enrolled in advising classes, she said.

To better understand students' advising needs, the SA recently sponsored a town hall meeting on academic issues to give students the chance to speak out about their advising problems. Potter said the SA is looking for other ways to canvass students so it can address their most pressing concerns first.

Sophomore Danielle Cormier said she is frustrated with the advising process since she has not yet

picked a major.

Cormier said her adviser has only told her which courses to take to fulfill her requirements.

"(I am) not receiving actual guidance," Cormier said. "No one's giving me direction."

A peer advising program might be more productive in giving students direction in selecting a major, Potter said.

"The best way to learn about something like that is through word of mouth," she said.

The SA will formulate a comprehensive plan for advising changes to present to the GW community by the end of this academic year, Potter said.

But Potter said changes to the advising system may take months to implement.

She said the large enrollment of CSAS may mean the peer and professional advisors available in other GW schools may not be as easily accessible in the Columbian School.

Moreland and Potter both stressed the importance of effective communication between students and faculty members.

Students' opinions are important in the process, Moreland said. For example, the current evaluation of the Columbian School's freshman advising workshops includes students as committee members.

Department heads and program chairs in CSAS also have offered input about their departments' advising processes through a survey conducted by the dean's office, Moreland said.

"What we're all interested in is having the best possible advising for the students," Moreland said.

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D.C. zoning board delays vote on health center plan

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additional hearing, but Ingle is optimistic about the future of the center.

"I am even more optimistic now, because I don't think the BZA would ask for the things they are asking for if they didn't want to go ahead with this," Ingle said. "They would have just denied it. This shows me that they want everything clear and on the record when they make their decision."

Two zoning board members said the discrepancies between the original testimony and the new testimony by the University will weigh into their decision about the credibility of the experts provided by the University.

Several board members said they were concerned about information presented about spectator sports in the wellness center.

The University said in its proposal that no spectator sports will take place in the center. However, a board member said she recalled hearing evidence that intramural sports like basketball will be played in the new center. She said it was inevitable that friends of the players would come to watch the games.

"(The original plan) says no spectators. No spectators means no spectators. If they're not participants, then they're spectators. Either they're playing or they're not there," BZA member Betty King said.

BZA member Laura Richards disagreed and said she thought that although the proposal does not include designated spaces for spectators, it allows for people to watch games from the sidelines.

Ingle said the University's position is that although no formal space is included in the center for spectators, it is possible that a limited number of people can watch the action in one part of the center from another part.

"The opposition is trying to make a case that there will be as many spectators as players," Ingle said. "We accept that when intramurals are going on there may be a couple of people in a warm-up area watching, or people waiting to get into the game."

The proposed health and wellness center will house basketball courts, weight rooms, racquetball courts, squash courts and aerobics rooms.

University officials and student leaders repeatedly have stressed the need for the center, citing the inadequacy of the current Smith Center facilities in serving student needs. Ingle said the center, if approved, would take 18 to 20 months to build.

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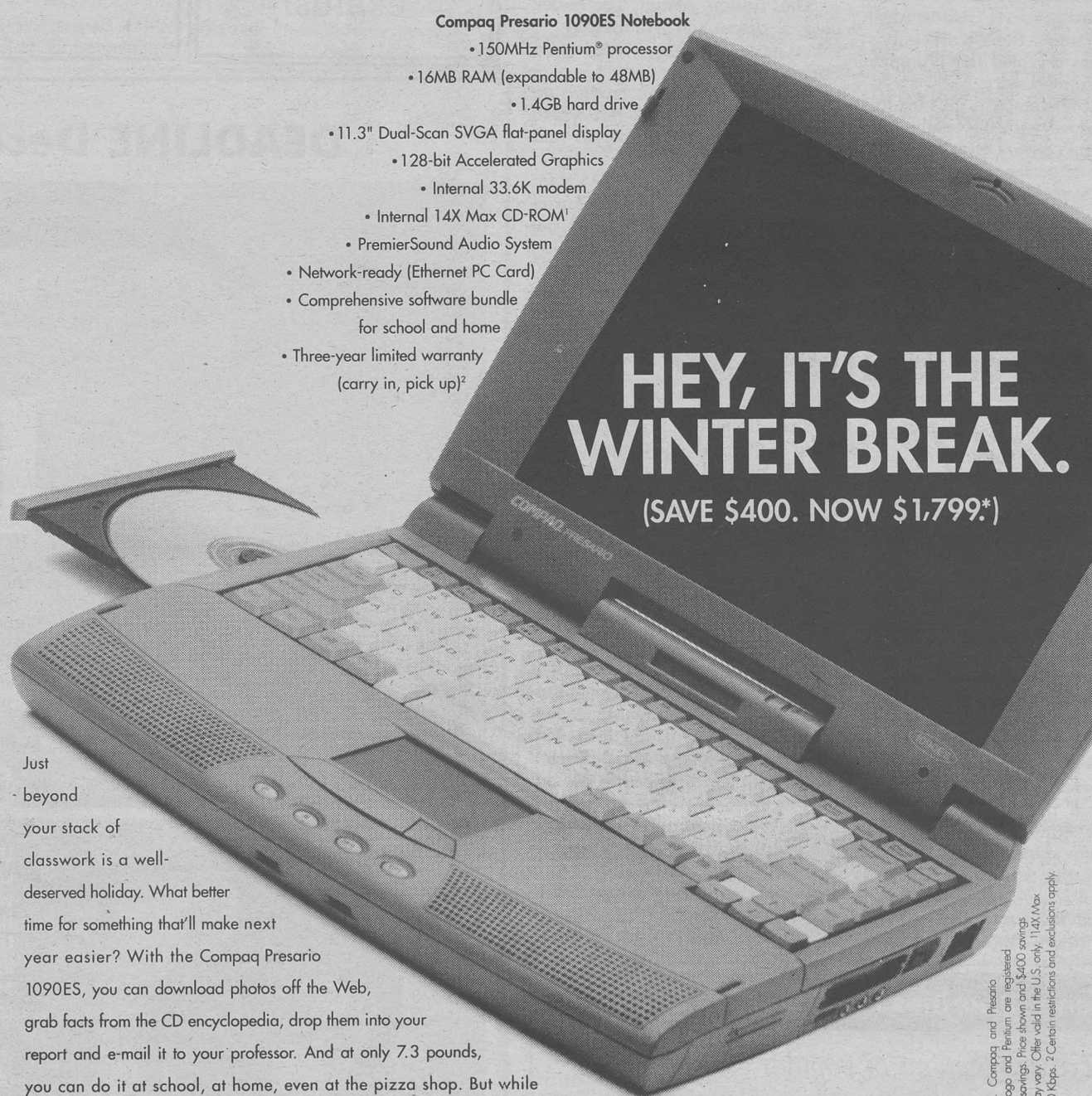
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Tuition meeting to be held Friday

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to see tuition increase more than five percent this year. He said student research into the University's finances has revealed that a higher increase is unnecessary.

Student leaders will go into the meeting armed with the results of a recent SA survey that asked students to rate the importance of University expenses by ranking them on a four-point scale.

The survey featured 64 questions addressing academic issues, financial aid, student life, security and student facilities. The survey was mailed to residence halls and distributed at J Street and at a Commencement town hall meeting last month.

Two hundred and twelve students responded to the survey.

Students rated a reduction in class sizes as their top priority. Also high on the list were changes to the University's meal plan, installation of cable and Ethernet connections in the residence halls and improved residence hall facilities.

A separate question on the survey found that 76.3 percent of the respondents said GW does not provide them with the education for which they are paying.

"It's a small sampling, but it was just an attempt to get something ... on a very short time limit," said Rusty Stahl, director of outreach for the SA.

Undergraduate Sen. Jesse Strauss (CSAS) said the survey marks the first time students leaders have solicited the student body for their views on the University budget process.

He said the survey has set the stage for future student leaders to

seek the student voice in the tuition process.

The Tuition Action Committee held a discussion Wednesday to solicit student input to bring to Friday's meeting.

"All of the stuff you brought up here ... we are definitely relaying to the administration," Golparvar said during the discussion.

Stahl said students need to learn about the University's financial process because "students may not realize what (the University) is doing with your money."

He said the research conducted by SA members and the advocacy group Students Against Yearly Increases in Tuition exemplifies the intense student involvement in the tuition issue.

The administration cannot understand many student problems, Stahl added. He said the administration either cannot see, or fails to take the time to see, certain aspects of University life.

"The student population lives on campus. (Administrators) aren't living in the University, they are working in it," Stahl said.

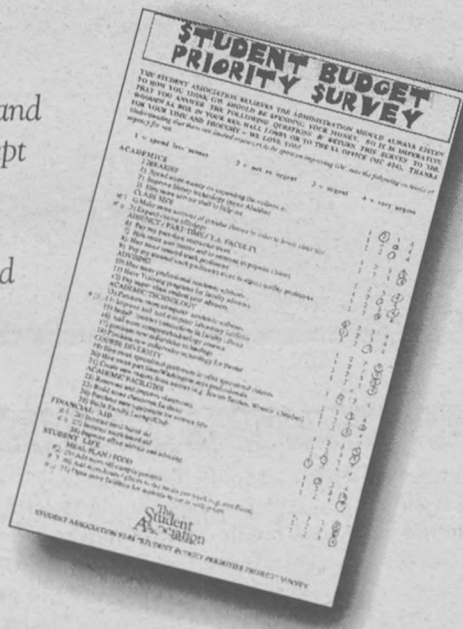
Soraya Tabibi, executive chair of the Program Board, said student leaders are elected to represent students. She said student leaders should stay in touch with student concerns, though she acknowledged the difficulties of targeting all student factions.

"It's really hard to keep a hand on the pulse of what student opinion is," Tabibi said. "The administration faces this also. Some students tend to get lost in the shuffle."

-Shruti Daté contributed to this report.

Students' Priorities for University Spending

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3. Cable and Ethernet connections in residence halls
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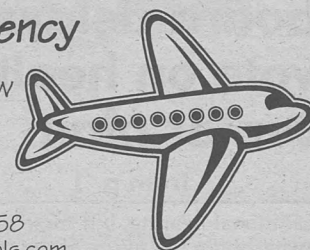
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Professors' creativity may combat 'cybercheats'

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course since he changes the format of his essay questions each semester.

In his smaller graduate class, he said he knows his students well enough to recognize their work.

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Though GW has seen no reported cases of cybercheating, the ease of

finding papers online makes it a temptation as finals approach.

A Web search for the phrase "Weimar Republic" brings up several hundred matching sites. One link brings up the "Weimar History Web Site," which was created by 16-year-old Matthew Ashby, an Australian eleventh-grader.

The site, which contains a vast supply of historical information on

the short-lived Weimar Republic, was developed by Ashby as a "non-written" project for his modern history course.

"Anyone is welcome to use my site as a reference for their assignments, and I welcome their feedback," Ashby said in an e-mail.

Ashby's site has received more than 100 "hits" since September.

"Evil House of Cheat"

(www.cheathouse.com) is perhaps the largest online "term paper mill," boasting more than 8,000 essays in more than 40 categories.

But "House of Cheat" papers come with a price. For \$9.95, students can purchase a password that allows unlimited searches for up to a year.

The site also lists tips for cheating on in-class exams without getting caught. Throughout the site, users are reminded that papers downloaded from the site should be used only for research and as study guides. "House of Cheat" has links to dozens of other cybercheating sites.

Visitors to the "School Sucks" site (www.schoolsucks.com) get free access and downloading capabilities. Like "House of Cheat," the site warns users against turning in downloaded material as their own; all material on the site is purportedly for research purposes only. The site makes money by selling space to advertisers — often other term paper mills.

"School Sucks" reportedly gets about 40,000 hits a day and there are plans to have it available in 15 languages by September 1998.

Kenny Sahr, the site's 26-year-old Webmaster and a journalism student at Florida International University in Miami, told The Washington Post that sites like his are necessary today because "so many students are desperate and this allows them to do much more impulse buying."

According to *Time* magazine, Sahr makes "easily above five grand a month" from advertisers who pay \$20 for every 1,000 times their ads appear on the site.

Papers for a price

Sahr says on his Web site that students should not be foolish enough to turn in downloaded material as their own.

"Many of the papers are garbage, actually. If I spell-checked them, we'd have a new president by the time I finished," Sahr told The Post.

In an interview with *People* magazine, Sahr said his site will put traditional term paper mills out of business and "force lazy faculty members to come up with more creative and specific assignments."

Many sites offer student-donated material, but a few go further. For a per-page fee, some cybercheating sites will send a student an "expertly written" customized paper by fax, e-mail or Federal Express.

"Research Papers Online"

(www.ezwrite.com) boasts that "theses and dissertations are our specialty" and that all papers are "new and have not been previously circulated." Students can rest assured that their professors will not be able to find a similar paper if they do an online search — each is specifically written. The charge for all this? \$4.95 a page.

Other sites offer term papers at no cost. Many are student Web pages that claim to have high-scoring term papers, available — but only for research purposes.

The battle against cheating

As technology makes cheating easier than ever, professors attempt to combat term paper fraud by giving very specific guidelines for paper organization and content, and by varying the format of their essay questions each semester.

Forrest Maltzman, a professor of American politics, said he has not had any problems with cybercheating in his classes.

"In the end, some students will always search for ways to cheat," Maltzman said. "Hopefully students will have enough integrity and interest in learning that they will not employ technology to cheat."

"One of the most effective ways to stop (cybercheating) is to come up with original assignments that are unlikely to be used at other universities," Maltzman said.

"Students have submitted papers from the previous semester, but there is no duplication in the questions from one semester to the next," Sodaro said. He said students who use papers from previous semesters are not always caught, but usually get poor grades on the paper.

"There are always going to be cheaters, but eventually it is going to catch up with them," Sodaro added.

In October, Boston University sued several cybercheating sites in federal court alleging wire fraud, mail fraud, racketeering and violation of a Massachusetts law that prohibits the sale of term papers. Attorneys for the University want to seize the companies' records and stop them from doing business in Massachusetts.

According to Kulish, GW is "definitely not" considering any legal action against cybercheating companies. But she said the University might reconsider if a case of cybercheating is brought before the Academic Integrity Council.



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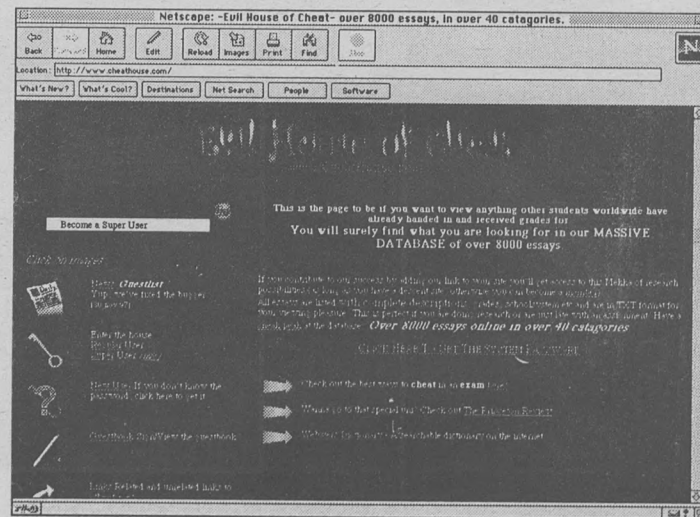
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Correction

The story "Religion Month 'lights the way'" in the Nov. 24 issue should not have identified Hillel as a sponsor of Helen Luksenburg's speech or the trip to the Holocaust Memorial Museum trip.

Also, the story should not have said that "Missionary Impossible" was a discussion about how Jewish people should pass their faith to others.

The Pakistani Student Association should have been identified as a co-sponsor of the discussion on religious issues in Pakistan and India.

Reading between the lines

GW work study sends students into the community

by Jason Filkins
Hatchet Reporter

The children stand in a line, clad in green and white school uniforms. The neckties they knotted themselves are remarkably uneven.

The classroom session has ended for the afternoon — the kids soon will be released to personal tutors. The tutors wait in a silent group at the end of the room. The children, growing restless, hop up and down, waving to the tutors.

These are not just ordinary teachers. The tutors provide the children with important one-on-one attention two days a week, throughout the school year.

One pupil sat alone — his tutor was absent. GW freshman Shafkat Anwar invited the child to join his group, but teaching two children proved difficult. He could barely keep them in their seats, let alone fix their attention to the reading.

Glancing at the colorful pictures in their *Amazing Otters* book, Calvin and Jerome, began to dispute. Which of the critters would make the best pet? And do otters bite people?

Anwar seized his chance, strategically reshaping the debate into a phonics duel.

"But I know this one!" Calvin shouted, unable to contain himself. "No," Anwar corrected, "This question is for Jerome. You had the last one."

"But I know it! Let me whisper it to you," begged an impatient Calvin, climbing on Anwar's lap to reach his ear.

Still eager to prove himself, Calvin scrawled the word "cat" across the face of a notebook.

"Look, I can do it in cursive," Calvin added with a satisfied grin. Everyone, his smile seemed to say, should have the word "cat" written on their notebooks.

D.C. Reads, a mentor and tutoring program, began Sept. 24 at the Scott-Montgomery Elementary School. The program is an effort to prevent area students from slipping through the cracks in the D.C. public education system.

The program, working in cooperation with local advocacy group For the Love of Children, pairs 50 GW work study students with pupils at Scott-Montgomery. Students like Calvin and Jerome are the first tests for the young program.

D.C. Reads borrows its curriculum from the 36-step "Sing-Song Read and Write" program, which teaches students to read using a progression of phonics. The exercises steer clear of reading by memorization, a method that was once an educational standard.

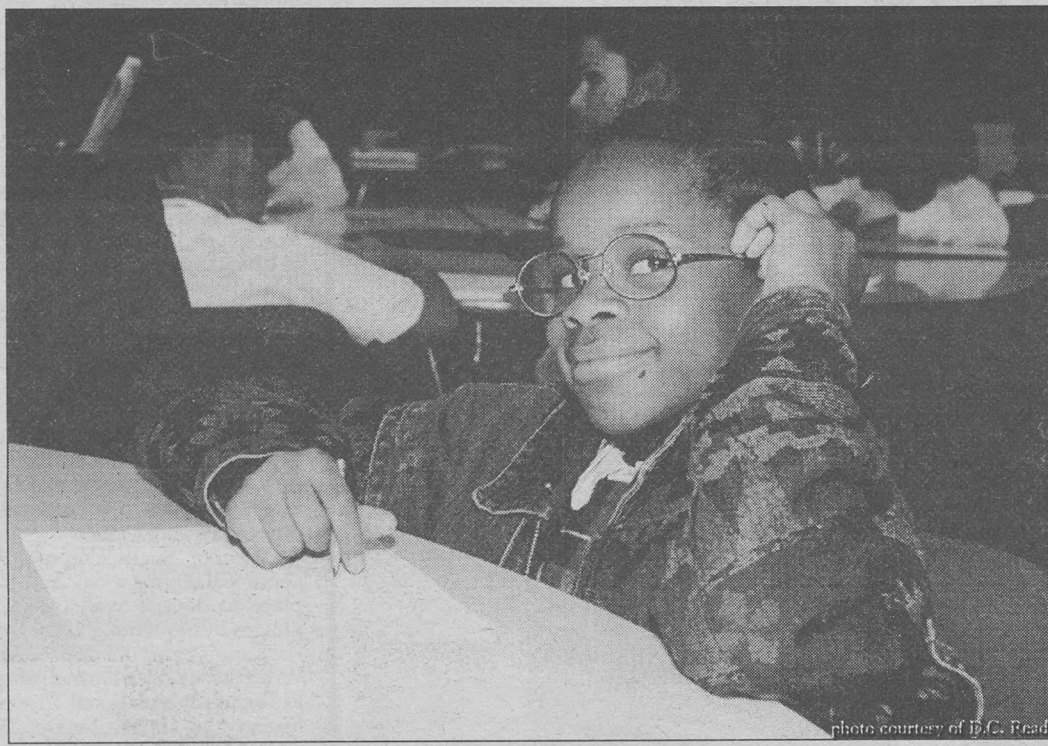


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"If you're teaching kids to read by memorizing words, they are going to run into problems when they see a word they don't know," GW junior Eliza Thompson explained. Thompson coordinates first-, second- and third-grade tutoring at Scott-Montgomery.

"The Shaw neighborhood is the community GW pledged to help," Thompson explained. "Our goal is to help them learn to help themselves, and then move on to a different community."

Tutors are required to meet with their pupils twice a week. Each one completes an eight-hour preparatory training seminar before teaching, and supplementary training sessions every two weeks.

"Besides money, it was an excellent way of having a job where I could give something back to the community," freshman tutor Gareth Danker said. "This is the time to catch them, when they're young."

Many of the children in the D.C. schools are reading far below their grade level, which makes the one-on-one attention from their tutors particularly important.

"They (tutors) pay more attention than your other teachers," nine-year-old Simone said. Simone is a third grader at Scott-Montgomery.

"GW is such a huge resource to the school," explained For the Love of Children manager Christine Young. "The kids obviously need this and enjoy it."

"It's fun and we get to learn and when we ask to go to the bathroom they let us," third grader Bianca said.

The school picks out students who struggle to read. These students join the after-school tutorial program. But many of the other students, who also could benefit from the program, go without tutors.

"My goal would be to reach every student," Young said. "But I believe in starting small and getting the kinks out of the program," said Young.

"When (my student) Gary first came in here, the first thing he told me was, 'I'm not stupid,'" freshman tutor Erin Wasserman remembered. A third grader who read at a first-grade level, Gary, according to Wasserman, was defensive and insecure.

"It's not just the school's fault," Wasserman explained. She said that in many cases home environment has as much to do with the child's reading level as the overcrowded school system.

Periodical exams designed to assess reading levels have shown improvements in six students in Thompson's classes.

Shyia, a third grader, showed the greatest improvement. Her scores jumped from .7 below a third-grade level to .7 above.

Like many of the students, Shyia said she enjoyed coming to tutorials, and looks forward to seeing her tutor.

The tutor, freshman Laura Kurjanowicz, said she too benefits from the sessions. Tutoring, she said, has so far been the highlight of her college experience.

"I've learned a lot about myself as a person, friend and teacher, and how I can make an impact," Kurjanowicz said.

For teachers and pupils like Kurjanowicz and Shyia, the significance of the bond reaches far beyond reading. Eight-year-old Kelvin said that he wants to grow up to become a tutor like "Mr. Joe," freshman Joe McCahill.

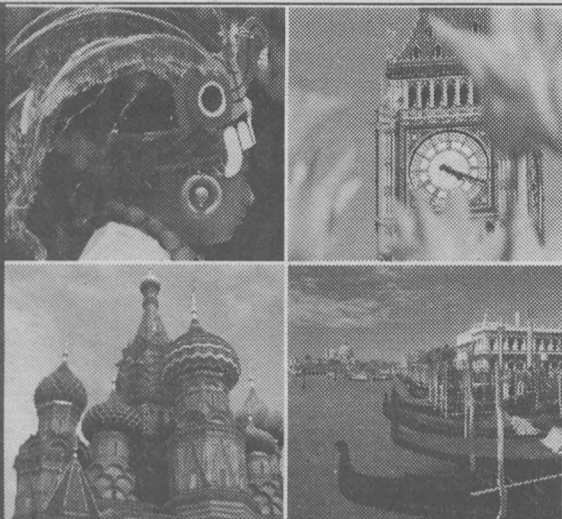
"I got lucky," McCahill said. "He's made me remember a lot about what it's like to be a kid and how frustrating that can be — the learning and all."

Kevin will be moving out of the school district soon. McCahill said he hopes to take Kelvin to a GW basketball game as a farewell gift.

Even though much ground is left to cover, D.C. Reads has made a strong start.

"I wrote all these words," eight-year-old third grader Rashaw exclaimed. "I just learned to read all these words."

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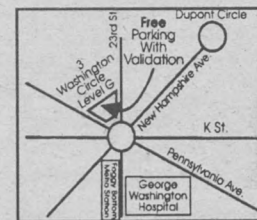
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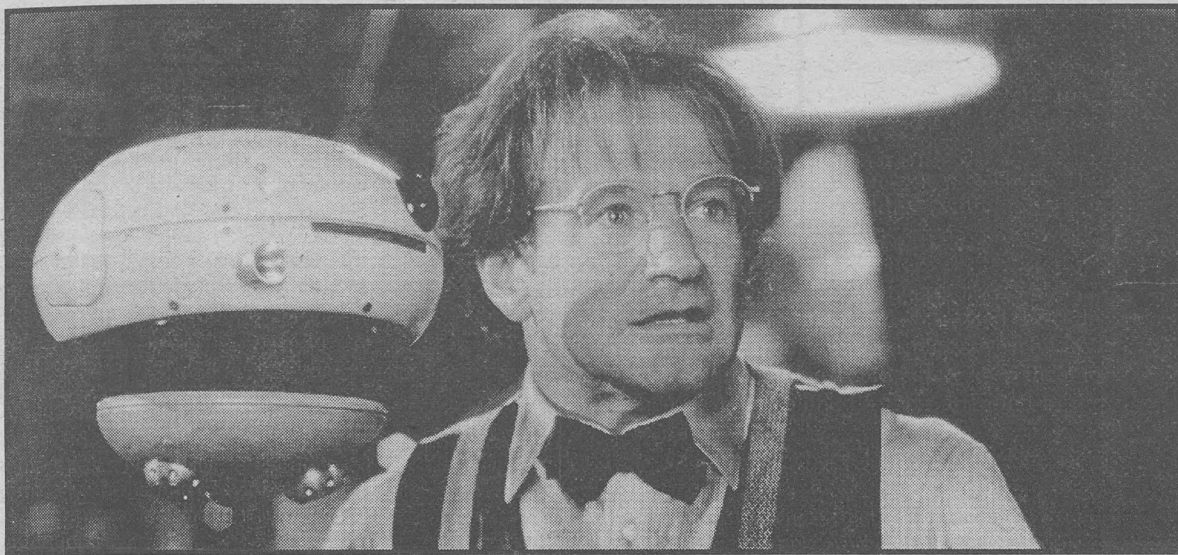
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WEEKEND



Robin Williams' usual talent for making a poorly-written film decent does not shine through in *Flubber*.

Flubber fails in attempt to remake Disney classic

ALISON GAZAN
ASST. ARTS EDITOR

Flubber (Buena Vista) pitifully tries to recreate the 1961 Walt Disney Classic, *The Absent Minded Professor*. The film lacks a few elements which made its predecessor a success - plot, humor and a supporting cast, to name a few.

A brilliant, but absent-minded scientist, Professor Phillip Brainard (Robin Williams, *Jack*) is trying to concoct a new energy source that will transform modern technology. With his new invention, Brainard will be able to save the indebted college where he and his fiancé, Sara (Marcia Gay Harden, *First Wives' Club*) work.

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Sara is anxiously anticipating her third scheduled marriage attempt, hoping Brainard finally will remember after forgetting their first two wedding days.

But Brainard makes a breakthrough in his creation and once again leaves Sara waiting at the alter. Now Brainard must use his invention to save the college and rekindle his relationship with Sara.

A few sorrowful attempts to create subplots pop up, but none matures enough to prove interesting or entertaining. Instead, they exist merely to bolster the argument that *Flubber* has a storyline: If there are subplots, there has to be a main plot, right?

Flubber fails everywhere the 1961 classic succeeded. Fred McMurtry as the absent-minded professor portrayed a comical and warm-hearted professor who loved science

(See *Flubber*, p. 3)

Garth Brooks pleases country music fans with new release

TYSON TRISH
WEEKEND WRITER

Record stores in Nashville, San Francisco and even the District are being overrun by hordes of anxious music lovers, searching for their own copies of Garth Brooks' latest release, *Sevens* (Capitol Records). This soothing masterpiece is sure to be a chart-topper including several melodic masterpieces.

Highlighting the album, "In

Their powerful twang might possibly be the best combination of lyrical power in country music history. Mixing their presence with emotional lyrics, "In Another's Eyes," brings a twinge to even a cold heart.

"This is a very personal album. I only wrote six of the songs, but there are many that are so 'me' that people I work with every day thought I wrote them," Brooks said in a press release.

While all of the songs will be favorites of Garth fans, a sure bet for a future hit single is "Do What You Gotta Do." The exploding sounds make this one of Brooks' better up-tempo pieces.

Sevens also features musical performances by some exceptional artists. The album cleverly combines both the chromatic ring of the steel guitar and beautiful

electric chords, pleasing any audience.

Brooks' works are favorites not only of country fans but all music lovers. Anyone could sing along with Brooks' appealing lyrics and emotional songs. The country music legend is the best-selling solo artist in U.S. history, earning more than \$62 million in sales.

Brooks' much-publicized dispute with Capitol Records slowed the appearance of *Sevens* to the music store shelves. The album was completed almost a year ago, but the country signer was not sure his label was ready to properly promote it.

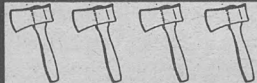
Brooks' first self-titled album, *Garth Brooks*, was the top selling country record of the 1980s. The singer's continued success is welcomed by his fans worldwide who hope *Sevens* is not Brooks' last album.

Rainmaker mixes humor with drama

ANDREA PHILPOT
WEEKEND WRITER

Unlike other John Grisham novels-turned-feature-films, *The Rainmaker* (Paramount Pictures) is not just another gavel-banging courtroom drama. Instead, the movie is fun and entertaining as it manages to find humor in the seri-

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ous world of law.

Matt Damon (*Courage Under Fire*) plays Rudy Baylor, a wet-behind-the-ears lawyer who has yet to try his first case. Practicing law in Memphis, Baylor is quick to point out that the city suffers from an infestation of ambulance chasers, TV lawyers and other lesser forms of scum.

After law school, Baylor is forced to take a job with Brusier Stone (Mickey Rourke), a scuzzy TV lawyer who surrounds himself with legal sharks. Baylor amasses a few clients before a warrant is issued for Brusier's arrest. He then leaves the firm.

Joining him as he starts his own firm is Deck Shifflet (Danny DeVito, *Get Shorty*) - a lawyer who failed the bar exam six times. DeVito is at the heart of the comedy in this satirical film, as his quips and barbs create instant entertainment.

Baylor takes the case of a boy with leukemia. Destined to die without a bone marrow transplant he cannot afford, the boy is stiffed by an insurance company. The insurance company's lawyers pose a hearty

obstacle for Baylor in his search for justice for the boy. Jon Voight (*Anaconda*) gives an outstanding performance as the head of the company.

Baylor is aided by Judge Tyrone Kipler, who is presiding over the case (Danny Glover, *Lethal Weapon 3*). Prior to becoming a judge, Glover's character was a lawyer who specialized in fighting insurance companies. Naturally, and quite comically, he takes Baylor's side as he enters his maiden voyage into trial law.

Outside of the trial, Baylor develops a relationship with an abused wife struggling to leave her husband (Claire Danes, *U-Turn*). Invariably, Kelly Riker's problems force Baylor to choose justice over the law, as his cynicism toward the judicial system grows. This character development allows the audience to relate to Baylor - and to his imperfections.

Director Francis Ford Coppola is true to form as he manages to find the dark humor behind Grisham's writing. Coppola creates a wonderful film that satirizes the typical justice thriller. Even during the most serious of scenes, Coppola brings out the humor in every nuance of a character's personality.

The Rainmaker differs from the other films based on Grisham novels, as the movie contains both comedy and suspense. The members of the cast seem to enjoy themselves, and their chemistry abounds on screen. Coppola's ingenuity with humor and the actors' unlimited talents combine to create an entertaining movie.

The *Rainmaker* is now playing.



Danny DeVito and Matt Damon smooth the print-to-film transition of John Grisham's novel, *The Rainmaker*.

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Another's Eyes," a duet featuring Trisha Yearwood and Garth Brooks, recently reached the top position on *Billboard's* Country Album Chart.

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Exhibit explores moods of jazz

MICHELLE HIGGINS

WEEKEND WRITER

Jazz music has been an inspiration to many artists. Friday night, musicians and dancers will come together for "Seeing JAZZ Move" to explore the moods and rhythms of jazz.

It will be a site-specific performance in conjunction with "Seeing JAZZ," an exhibition of the Smithsonian's International Gallery of Art. The exhibit showcases artwork and literature inspired by jazz from around the world.

The "Seeing JAZZ" exhibition presents a panorama of artistic responses to jazz music through a collection of paintings, sculptures, drawings, collages and photographs. Musicians and dancers will collaborate in the art of improvisation for "Seeing JAZZ Move."

The exhibition is organized into three categories. "Rhythm" focuses on musical variety, spanning from spirituals to the sounds of every day activities. "Improvisation" provides the performers, artists and writers with opportunities to express spontaneous creativity. "Call and Response" focuses on exchanges between participants in a jazz performance.

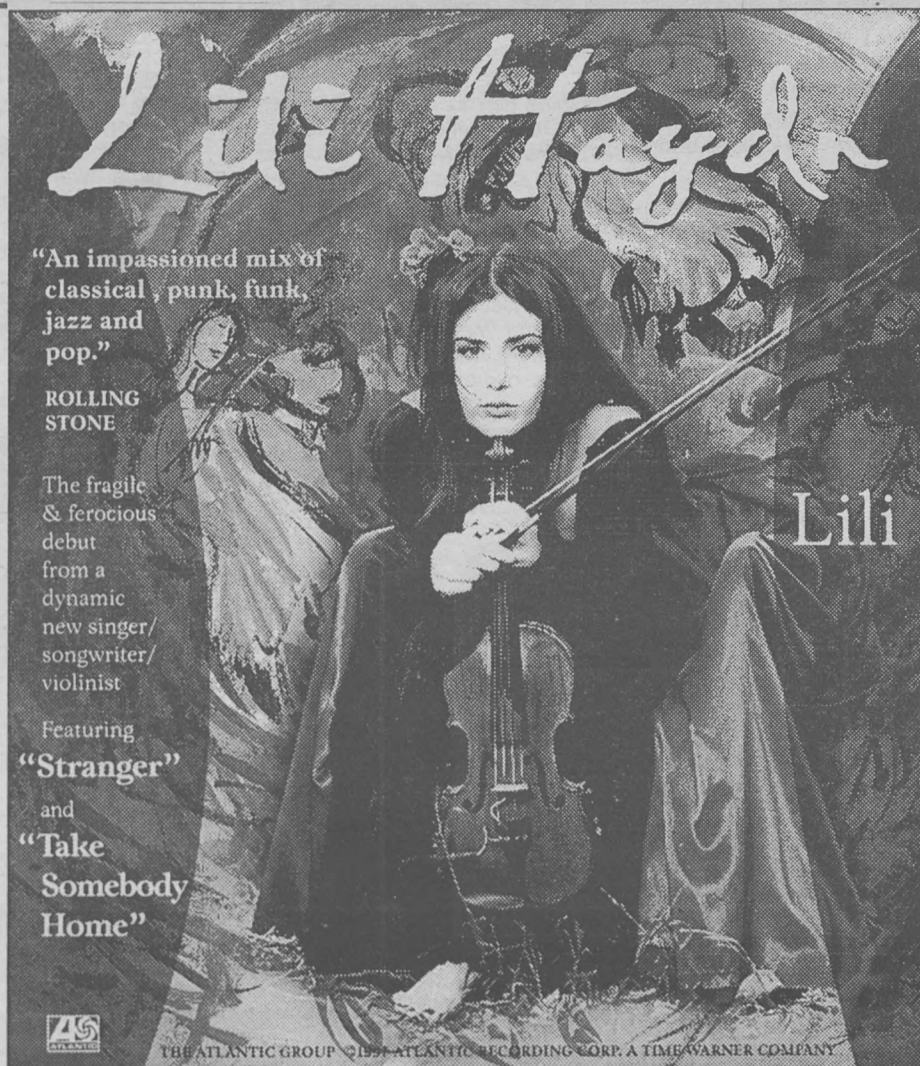
The performance of "Seeing JAZZ Move" adds another dimension to the exhibition, bringing it to life with impromptu choreography by renowned international artists.

The jazz festival also will feature improvisation workshops for dancers, actors, students and artists. The workshops, which will run all day Saturday in Building J (GW's dance studio), will be taught by several of the performers from "Seeing JAZZ Move" and include dance, theater and a discussion of the art of improvisation.

The program will culminate with "Expect the Unexpected," DC's Third International Dance Improvisation Plus + Festival. The performance will be open script, with dancers and musicians of diverse styles creating spontaneous choreography and performance art through interactive dialogue with the audience.

Maida Withers, curator of the festival, is a dance professor at GW. The artists participating in the festival are recognized for their experimental approaches to choreography and for their distinctive work with dance improvisation.

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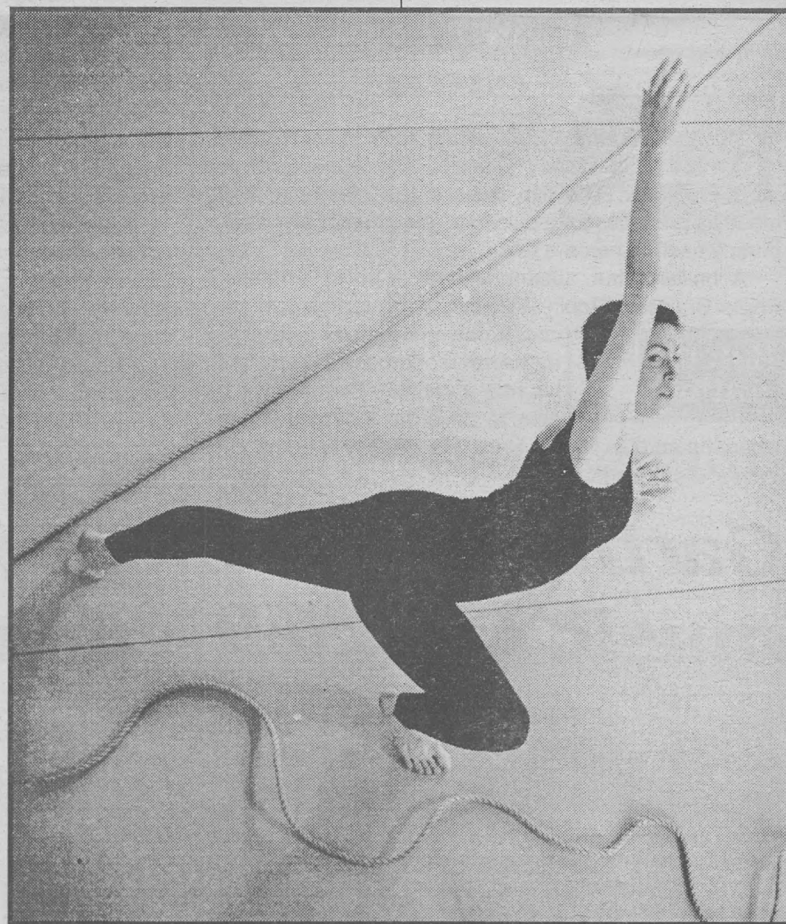
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WEEKEND

Flubber lacks plot, humor of classic

(from p. 1)

and his big, white dog. The film had a main plot, subplots and many moments of light-hearted humor.

On the other hand, *Flubber* tries to replace the cute dog with a robot, WEEBO. For Brainard, WEEBO has been a long-time companion. The attempt to create a technologically advanced remake fails. While an audience easily can understand the relationship between a man and his dog, the partnership of a man and his robot is foreign to audiences. The distance this creates between the audience and film produces an insurmountable rift which cannot be narrowed with any other element of the film.

The greatest disappointment in *Flubber* is clearly Williams. The audience anticipates the typical antics and humor from Williams, but he never reveals any of the talent which made his other mundane films small successes.

No member of the supporting cast helps the film. Rather than fervently portraying their characters, they look to the script and to Williams to carry the film. In turn, no chemistry among the actors develops.

The one small highlight of the film is the visual effects. In an entertaining scene, the flubber divides into many pieces to perform a dance number. The green goo assumes various shapes to perform a tango, complete with back-up dancers and bongo drum players. The success of the scene must be accredited to the visual effects.

Flubber's creators move too far from the elements that made the original a success. The lack of a plot and humor plagues the film from the start. *Flubber* degenerates as it tries to modernize a film destined to remain in black and white.

Flubber is now playing.

Hatchet Rating Scale - Good Riddance



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You've had it easy this past week. Get all of your work done so you

won't risk getting any incompletes that will give you ulcers during winter break.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)

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VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)

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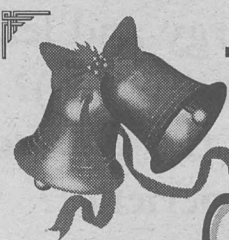
cheat off the kid next to you. He took a few bong hits before the final and his bluebook is filled with stories from that weekend last summer spent with a bottle of Captain Morgan and some "mystery pills."

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Fri.-Thurs. (2:15, 5:15)
8:15

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Fri.-Thurs. (2:00, 4:00, 6:00)
8:00, 10:00

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Fri.-Thurs. (2:20, 4:50) 7:20,
9:50

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(PG-13)
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The Jackal (R)
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GW shut down by Kentucky, places 5th in Maui Tourney

by Dave Mann
Sports Editor

LAHAINA, HAWAII—The GW men's basketball team traveled 5,000 miles last week to find out just how well it could compete against the best teams in the country.

The results proved inconclusive. The Colonials won two of three games at the Maui Invitational Nov. 24-26, but finished fifth out of eight teams and did not play well in their opening-round loss to the University of Kentucky.

GW left the island paradise with a 5-1 record on the season, but the Colonials were flat in their first match up with a ranked team, a 70-55 loss to the Wildcats. The Colonials now have lost their last five games against ranked opponents.

GW Coach Mike Jarvis said he was disappointed with his team's showing offensively against Kentucky, but was pleased GW was able to come back and get two solid wins.

"At the end of the year when the NCAA Tournament is looking at teams, obviously it helps to have quality wins against quality conferences," he said.

GW 60, DePaul 46

GW clinched fifth place with a 60-46 win over a DePaul team that couldn't shoot straight Nov. 26.

The Blue Demons launched 57 shots against GW, only 17 of which found the basket. DePaul shot 30 percent overall and scored only three points in the entire second quarter. The tournament used an

NCAA experimental four-quarter game format.

Senior center Alexander Koul led GW with 17 points, five rebounds and three blocks. Koul controlled play in the lane against one of the smallest teams in Division I. DePaul regularly plays four guards and its tallest player, Ayinde Avery, stands 6-9.

GW took control in the second quarter, outscoring the Blue Demons 13-3. DePaul shot seven percent from the field in the quarter, hitting only one of 15 shots. The Colonials led 24-19 at halftime.

GW coasted in the second half behind Koul and forwards Pat Ngongba and Yegor Mescheriakov. Ngongba scored 12 points and Mescheriakov added nine. Point guard Shawnta Rogers had eight points, eight assists and five rebounds.

DePaul never made a serious run in the second half, as GW steadily built a lead. Star Blue Demon guard Jermaine Watts scored 16 points, but shot a miserable 6 of 19. Willie Coleman was DePaul's only consistent shooter, hitting 6 of 12 shots, including four three-pointers. Coleman finished with 16 points.

GW 76, Boston College 64

A day after a horrible offensive performance against Kentucky, GW was again flat in the opening minutes of its game with Boston College Nov. 25. Midway through the first quarter, the Colonials trailed 12-5. That's when Seco Camara entered the game.

Camara got hot and so did GW, while Boston College proceeded to

go nearly eight minutes without a field goal. Camara hit four three-pointers as part of a 20-1 run by the GW reserves, which put the Colonials ahead 25-13 two minutes into the second quarter. Camara tied his career high with 12 points.

"We relaxed when their subs came off the bench," BC Coach Al Skinner said. "In that second quarter they were responsible for a good number of their points and gave them a tremendous lift. We didn't have the defensive intensity we needed."

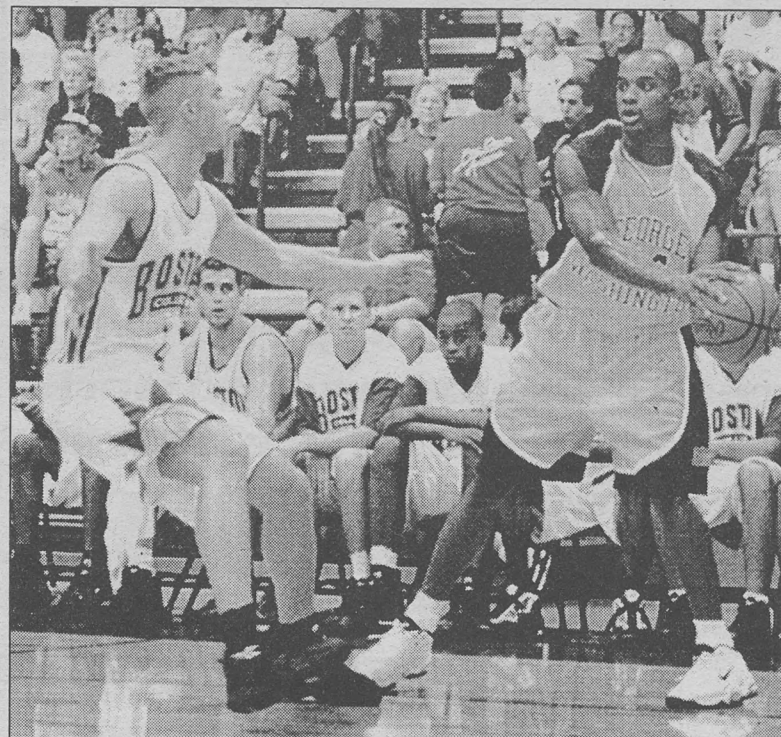
"We play a lot of people and obviously, if you get significant contributions out of them like we did tonight, then that's a big difference," Jarvis said. "But they're different teams. I don't think anyone is going to have that kind of run against Kentucky this year."

GW led 39-24 at halftime, but Boston College, led by Mickey Curley's scoring, closed the gap. Curley scored eight of his game-high 25 points in the third quarter as the Eagles got within four points of GW at 52-48 with 1:49 left in the quarter.

The Colonials responded. Ngongba was fouled on a layup and made the free throw to complete a three-point play. On the final play of the third quarter, Andrei Krivonos penetrated and fed Ngongba for a dunk to give GW a 60-50 lead. The Colonials cruised from there to the 12-point win.

GW rebounded from its poor offensive showing against Kentucky to shoot 47 percent, including 7 of 15 from three-point range. Jarvis said his team's offensive execution was much better.

"Our ball movement was a lot



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Seco Camara had 12 points, including four three-pointers, in GW's 76-64 victory over Boston College Nov. 25.

better. It's a funny game, many times it's just about confidence," Jarvis said. "They were different shots tonight. Last night we had closer shots, but they were harder shots. Tonight, because of their zone, we got some wide open looks at the basket."

Kentucky 70, GW 55

GW's opening round loss to Kentucky was a folly of offensive errors Nov. 24. An Alexander Koul shot missed the rim by two feet and bounded off the backboard. Yegor Mescheriakov dropped the ball on a fast break. The normally sure-handed Shawnta Rogers dribbled the ball off his leg out of bounds.

The Colonials shot 34 percent and gave the ball away 21 times. GW shot an anemic 19 percent in the first half as Kentucky built a 16-point halftime lead.

"I wish a few more shots had fallen," Jarvis said. "Our defense, on most nights, would have been good

enough to make this a close game. I wasn't pleased with our offense — we have a lot of work to do on it."

"We did a good job of contesting shots and limiting their second chances," Kentucky Coach Tubby Smith said. "Our concentration was to limit Koul's touches and really make Rogers work to bring the ball up."

Kentucky's defense never gave GW breathing room. Koul was surrounded by three defenders every time he touched the ball. The senior was hounded into 3 of 7 shooting and eight points. The Colonials outside shooters never got their shots to fall, until a GW run late in the fourth quarter cut the Kentucky lead to 62-49, but it was too little too late.

Jarvis credited the Kentucky defense, but said his team's poor offensive showing was more a lack of execution by the Colonials.

"We were missing shots around the basket, and I would say that's more us than them," he said.

Cold second half dooms GW in Texas

by Dave Mann
Sports Editor

Senior Cory Carr scored 25 points as Texas Tech University pulled away in the second half for an 80-57 rout of the GW men's basketball team in Lubbock, Texas Wednesday.

GW (5-2) shot a miserable 27 percent from the field in the second half. The Colonials made only nine of 34 shots and, were outscored 42-22 in the second session, as the Red Raiders (1-3) broke open a close game.

Carr led four Texas Tech players in double figures. Rayford Young scored 15 points, and Stan Bonewitz and Cliff Owens each added 12 points.

Carr, a national player of the year candidate who led the Big 12 in scoring last season, lit up the Colonials, shooting 7 of 14, including three three-pointers.

GW was led by junior forward Yegor Mescheriakov's 20 points and 11 rebounds. However, center Alexander Koul was held in check. The senior played only 19 minutes because of foul trouble. Koul missed all five shots he took, scored two points, grabbed three rebounds and committed four fouls.

The Colonials shot 48 percent in the first half and kept the game close, as Texas Tech led 38-35 at halftime. However, GW went cold in the second half and the Red Raiders pulled away. Texas Tech shot 52 percent from the field for the game, including a scorching 41 percent from three-point range.



Patrick Ngongba scored 11 points and collected five rebounds against BC at the Maui Invitational.

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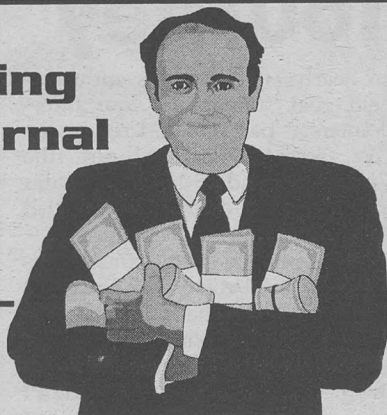
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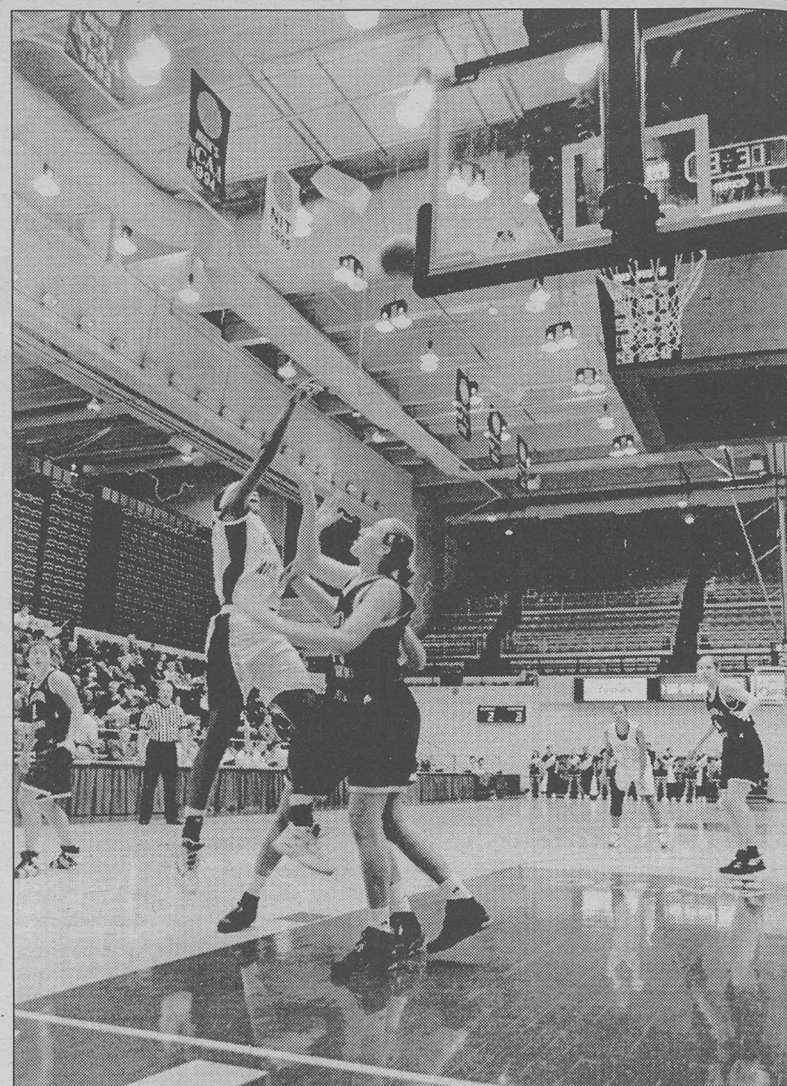
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The Colonial women have had a hard time putting the ball in the hoop this year. Bad shooting is one of the reasons GW has lost three of its first five games.

GW falls to American, splits in California

Bad shooting slows Colonial women

by Dustin Gouker
Asst. Sports Editor

American 71, GW 69

American guard Kari Gaskins got the ball at halfcourt with 9.9 seconds left in the game and hit a running jumper in the lane to break a 69-69 tie and give the Eagles a win over the Colonial women at the Smith Center Wednesday night.

GW got the ball back with six seconds remaining, but point guard Elisa Aguilar rushed a shot from midcourt with a few ticks left and GW lost for the second time in three games.

"For our program to beat a program of this stature, it is just a great win for our players," American head coach Jeff Thatcher said.

After falling behind 65-60 late in the second half, GW was able to mount a 9-0 run to take a 69-65 lead with 1:16 to go after Aguilar converted a three-point play. The Eagles (6-0) closed the gap to three with a free throw, and one possession later GW left Gaskins wide open for a three-pointer, which she made for three of her game-high 19 points.

"We gave American an early Christmas present," McKeown said. "We got a three-point lead, and we gave them a wide open three. We did things like that all game."

GW took control of the game late in the first half. They built a 40-33 lead going into halftime and increased that lead to 11 points at 48-37. American went on an 11-2 run to narrow the gap to two points and went on to take the lead, thanks to several factors.

Noelia Gomez, GW's second leading scorer this season, scored

(See GW, p. 15)

Two games is a very long losing streak for the GW women's basketball team.

After falling to North Carolina State University and the University of California-Santa Barbara, the Colonial women (2-3) had lost two consecutive games for the first time in almost a year.

The last time GW suffered back-to-back defeats was in early December of last season, when GW dropped games on the road to George Mason University and 16th-ranked Penn State University.

GW's loss to American Wednesday night also marked the first time the Colonial women lost consecutive home games since the 1990-'91 season. GW lost to Penn State and then St. Joseph's University in the finals of the Atlantic 10 Tournament in that season.

GW's early season schedule strength is part of the reason why its record has been hovering around the .500 mark so far. Four of the Colonial women's last three opponents have either been ranked in the Associated Press Top 25 Poll or have received votes.

Bad shooting also has plagued the Colonial women early in the season. The team failed to shoot better than 40 percent in two of its last three games.

"We're close to being 5-0, but we're only 2-3," GW head coach Joe McKeown said. "We just have a lot of things we have to clean up and do better."

Colonial women lose two of three

from p. 14

only 12 points and played just 20 minutes due to foul trouble, and, once again, GW suffered from poor shooting. The team shot fairly well in the first half, but GW made just 32 percent of its shots from the field and missed all nine of its three-point efforts in the second half.

"You're not going to beat teams when your team is shooting 32 percent, especially when you can't stop them on the other end, or if you put them at the foul line," McKeown said. "We still could have overcome that tonight with a couple plays at the end, but our shooting right now is horrendous."

Even though GW turned in a sub-par performance, American, to its credit, took advantage of the opportunities it was given. American often slowed GW's momentum by drawing a large number of fouls, as the Eagles went to the free throw line 33 times and made 23.

American also took advantage of GW's scoring drought in the second half by pushing the tempo.

"I think we got our running game going and got some transition points, probably based on our defense," Thatcher said. "We started getting some rebounds and steals in the second half, and that got our transition game going." Despite the fact that GW had a tremendous height advantage inside, GW only out-rebounded the Eagles 45-39.

GW sophomore guard Chasity Myers broke out of her scoring slump in the game with 17 points, while junior Mandisa Turner collect-

ed 13 points and 10 rebounds.

GW 78, UCLA 73

After a lackluster and low-scoring performance in the first half, the Colonial women found a groove and scored 53 second-half points to beat the Bruins (0-2) at Pauley Pavilion Friday.

GW shot just 25 percent from the field in the first 20 minutes of the game and trailed 26-25 at the half. Things turned around in the second half, though, as the Colonial women hit 19 of their 31 shots from the floor (61 percent).

Shortly after the second half began, GW put together a 13-0 run from which UCLA never fully recovered. Elisa Aguilar keyed the run, scoring nine consecutive points to start the half. Aguilar led GW with 22 points and five assists. Noelia Gomez and freshman Petra Dubovcova each added 14 points for the Colonial women, while sophomore guard Marlo Egleston chipped in with 11 points.

UCLA closed to within two points on several occasions in the second half, but never came back to take the lead.

UCSB 55, GW 52

GW had one of its worst shooting performances in recent memory in falling to UC-Santa Barbara at the Thunderdome Nov. 26.

GW's shooting from the field was a horrible 31 percent, but UCSB out-did the Colonial women by hitting just 28 percent from the floor. The Colonial women were able to connect on just one of their five three-



AU players celebrate as a dejected Elisa Aguilar puts her head down after missing a last-second shot to win Wednesday's 71-69 loss.

Jay Crystal/asst. photo editor

point shots and shot just 45 percent from the free throw line, including nine of 21 free throws in the second half.

GW took a slim 25-24 lead into halftime, but foul trouble and bad shooting eventually caught up with the team. Post players Noelia Gomez and Khadija Deas both fouled out of the game, and all five starters had accumulated at least four fouls by the game's conclusion.

Elisa Aguilar led all GW scorers with 20 points, and Gomez poured in 19 points. GW's two Spaniards were the only bright spots for the Colonial women, though, as no other GW player had more than seven points.

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December			
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Sat	20	vs. UNC-Charlotte	2:00 p.m.
Sat	27	vs. Army	6:30 p.m.**
Sun	28	vs. Northeastern/GMU	TBD**
January			
Sun	4	vs. La Salle	5:00 p.m.
Wed	7	vs. Duquesne	7:30 p.m.
Sat	10	at UMass	2:00 p.m. (A-10 TV)

Women's basketball winter schedule

December			
Mon	8	at Princeton	7:30 p.m.
Fri	19	vs. Rider	7:00 p.m.
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January			
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The GW women's soccer team posted a 13-7-2 record in 1997 and narrowly missed returning to the NCAA Tournament.

Women's soccer falls short of goals

by Maureen Benitz and
Dustin Gouker

Hatchet Sports Writers

Going into a season, every team sets goals for itself. The 1997 GW women's soccer team's main goal was to make a second consecutive appearance in the NCAA Tournament, a goal it fell just short of achieving.

"We obviously weren't pleased with the season because we didn't reach our goals, and one of our goals was to reach the NAAs," head coach Shannon Higgins-Cirovski said. "Any time that happens you are a little disappointed."

The Colonial women's season ended Nov. 9 when the team lost 1-0 to first-seeded University of Massachusetts in the final of the Atlantic 10 Tournament. A win would have sent GW back to the NAAs, but the Minutewomen were able to get a single shot past GW goalie Traci Jensen in the 80th minute of the game, while GW was not able to convert on any of the 10 shots it took.

With the loss, the GW women's

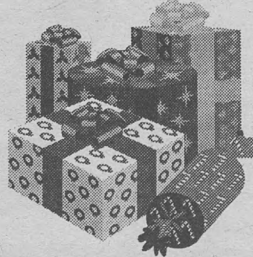
soccer team finished the 1997 season with a record of 13-7-2, a solid season in which members of the team accumulated many individual honors.

Senior forward Chemar Smith broke the all-time scoring and all-time goals scored records this season, with 108 total points and 45 goals for her career. These two milestones were probably part of the reason why Smith was named to the A-10 All-Conference Team. Midfielder Carri Sellers, a fellow senior, was selected to the second team All-Conference.

But Smith and Sellers, in addition to starting Jensen and a fine group of seniors, will be graduating after this year, and they will be a difficult group to replace, according to Higgins-Cirovski. The team will return junior forward Jane Andersen and freshman midfielder and second team All-Conference selection Lauren Papalia, who were third and second respectively in scoring for GW this season.

"Next year we are going to have a very young team, and I hope some of the players from this year's team will step up and be leaders like Chemar and Carri were," Higgins-Cirovski said.

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Women's basketball box scores

American 71, GW 69

American	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Klima	26	5	7	3	16
Hebling	30	4	6	1	13
Gombola	37	2	8	2	11
Grant	17	2	2	5	4
Gaskins	38	5	5	0	19
Miller	25	3	3	1	8
Petty	10	0	0	2	0
Irwin	8	0	2	3	0
Lewis	9	0	3	0	0
TOTALS	200	21-53	39	17	71

GW	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Dubovcova	28	2	5	4	9
Gomez	20	6	4	5	12
Deas	16	0	7	1	1
Myers	34	6	4	4	17
Aguilar	35	4	4	4	10
Turner	28	6	10	2	13
Baskova	11	0	3	2	0
Egleston	18	2	1	2	7
Chiparus	2	0	1	0	0
Reid	8	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	200	26-66	45	24	69

AU	33	38	71
GW	40	29	69

AU-Percentages: FG .396, FT .697. Three-point goals: 6-16 (Hebling 4-7). 375. Blocked shots: 1 (Petty). Assists: 15 (Gaskins 5). Turnovers: 23 (Gaskins 6, Miller 5). Steals: 11 (Gaskins 3, Petty 2, Hebling 2).

GW-Percentages: FG .394, FT .750. Three-point goals: 2-12, (Aguilar 1-6, Dubovcova 1-2), .167. Blocked shots: 4 (Turner 2, Deas 2). Assists: 17 (Aguilar 5, Dubovcova 5). Turnovers: 22 (Aguilar 5). Steals: 13 (Aguilar 5).

GW 78, UCLA 73

GW	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Dubovcova	33	6-11	4	5	14
Gomez	36	5-14	4	4	14
Deas	14	0-1	4	5	0
Myers	30	3-7	7	3	7
Aguilar	39	6-15	0	2	22
Turner	19	1-3	5	5	4
Baskova	6	1-4	2	1	2
Egleston	15	2-2	6	3	11
Chiparus	5	1-1	0	0	2
Reid	3	1-1	0	1	2
TOTALS	200	26-59	39	29	78

UCLA	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Martin	26	8-15	7	4	27
Veasley	34	2-6	3	4	4
Funicello	13	0-0	2	2	1
Gomez	30	3-5	4	2	7
Grimes	36	3-7	7	4	9
Philman	27	5-12	5	0	13
Pearson	6	0-3	0	2	0
Houser	3	1-2	0	0	2
Jackson	1	0-0	0	0	0
Hubbard	19	5-9	7	3	10
Flannigan	5	0-2	0	0	0
TOTALS	200	27-61	39	21	73

GW	25	53	78
UCLA	26	47	73

GW-Percentages: FG .441, FT .821. Three-point goals: 3-9, (Aguilar 2-6, Egleston 1-1), .333. Blocked shots: 2 (Gomez, Deas). Assists: 13 (Aguilar, Egleston 5). Turnovers: 21 (Aguilar 7). Steals: 12 (Aguilar 7).

UCLA-Percentages: FG .443, FT .581. Three-point goals: 1-5 (Grimes 1-2), .200. Blocked shots: 4 (Martin, Veasley, Philman, Hubbard). Assists: 17 (Philman 6). Turnovers: 23 (Gomez, Grimes 4). Steals: 8 (Veasley, Gomez, Grimes 2).

UCSB 55, GW 52

GW	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Dubovcova	34	1-5	7	4	3
Gomez	31	8-22	10	5	19
Deas	10	1-2	3	5	2
Myers	37	3-9	10	4	7
Aguilar	35	6-16	3	4	20
Turner	16	0-3	5	3	1
Baskova	15	0-2	3	3	0
Egleston	16	0-1	1	2	0
Reid	5	0-1	1	0	0
TOTALS	200	19-61	53	30	52

UCSB	MIN	FG	REB	PF	PTS
Rohr	30	6-11	8	5	16
Cooper	28	2-8	6	3	6
Greathouse	31	1-7	9	3	4
Clinesmith	30	3-13	1	2	8
Shadwell	32	0-6	2	1	3
Lampson	1	0-0	0	0	0
Buescher	26	4-10	10	4	13
Benjamin	3	0-0	0	1	0
Frial	9	0-1	0	1	2
Taylor	10	1-4	5	3	3
TOTALS	200	17-60	49	23	55

GW	25	27	52
UCSB	24	31	55

GW-Percentages: FG .311, FT .448. Three-point goals: 1-5, (Aguilar 1-3), .200. Blocked shots: 3 (Dubovcova 2). Assists: 5 (Aguilar 3). Turnovers: 24 (Aguilar 7). Steals: 7 (Aguilar 4).

UCSB-Percentages: FG .283, FT .526. Three-point goals: 1-9 (Clinesmith 1-4), .111. Blocked shots: 5 (Greathouse 3). Assists: 9 (Cooper 4). Turnovers: 21 (Greathouse 6). Steals: 11 (Cooper 3).

Water polo hopes to improve on success

by Shireen Hormozdi

Hatchet Sports Reporter

The GW men's water polo team concluded its successful season Nov. 16 at the ECAC Championships. The team made it to the finals, defeating Villanova (15-9), Massachusetts (9-8 in overtime) and Bucknell (16-7). After the victory against Bucknell in the semifinals, the Colonials faced UMass again in the championship round, where they lost 9-6.

"Basically all the teams were playing for pride, so in that sense, we showed rather well," head coach Van Hoffman said. "The team took it pretty seriously and played hard all weekend."

Overall, GW ended the year under the first-year head coach with

a 23-10 record. Its Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) record was 5-2, which earned GW the third seed in the Southern Division Championships (Oct. 26-27). The team went on to attend the Eastern Championships (Nov. 9-10) for the first time in the school's history, where it was seeded eighth.

However, Hoffman said he had higher expectations for his players.

"I am not satisfied with the overall season. The team had the potential to go to NCAAs and we didn't achieve that goal. But I'm very happy with the overall performance of the team. We just didn't reach our potential, and that concerns me because it is my responsibility to have them ready," Hoffman said.

The starters for the 1997 season

were Peter Clifford, Dan Batten, Brent Stoll, Brandon Stout, Rush Taylor and Jeremy Yamamoto. The team will lose three of these starters when Batten, Clifford and Stoll graduate this May.

Clifford, Stoll and Taylor were recognized by the CWPA earlier this month. Stoll was named Southern Division first team All-Conference, and Taylor and Clifford were named to the second team. Stoll led the Colonials with 78 points this season. Taylor was third with 63, while Clifford tallied 28 points.

Hoffman called Stoll "one of the most talented players I've coached or played ball with. He understands the game extremely well, he can shoot the lights out of the ball and is an excellent defender. In short, he's a

total package."

For 1998, Hoffman said he hopes to bring at least 12 freshmen or transfers to the team.

"I do have high expectations for next year. We have a good nucleus on the team, and adding quality players should leave us with the opportunity to match this year's squad pretty well," Hoffman said.

About a commendable first season at GW, he added, "The success of this year feels great, especially being a first-year coach. On the other hand, I merely worked with an existing team that had a lot of experience playing ball together. These athletes trained very hard, and the effort these guys had to make was extraordinary. Overall, I'm happy for them and happy for their success."

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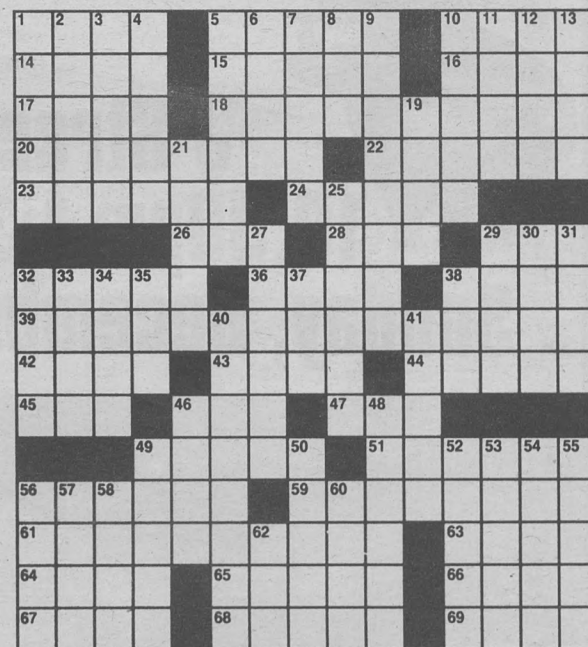
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5 Give off an odor
10 "Iliad" or "Aeneid," e.g.
14 Trig ratio
15 No-no
16 Warrior princess of TV
17 Declare with confidence
18 TV-top antenna
20 1996 Michael Crichton novel
22 Confidential matter
23 Skeleton's place?
24 Broad valleys
26 "So there!"
28 Sprinted
29 Dripping
32 Town square

- 36 Genesis garden
38 Jazzy talk
39 Nutty thought
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61 Beginners' skiing area
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- 64 Actor Estrada
65 Uses a Smith-Corona
66 Competed
67 There are 435 in Cong.
68 Sesames, e.g.
69 Makes mistakes

DOWN

- 1 Stern that works with a bow
2 Kind of engineer or service
3 Month after diciembre
4 Feudal workers
5 Layers
6 Sir's counterpart
7 Receded
8 Arcing shot
9 Perry White was her boss
10 Company V.I.P.'s
11 Prickly —
12 Legal memo starter
13 It's made of plaster of paris
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- 32 Comedian Hartman
33 Volcano output
34 United — Emirates
35 Kind of Buddhist
37 Not too intelligent
38 "Huckleberry Finn" character
40 Bands take them
41 Performing
46 Annual Memorial Day event
48 Gentle stroke
49 Difficulties to be worked out
50 Run off to the chapel
52 Chutzpah
53 Pan Am rival, formerly
54 Daisylike bloom
55 Yorkshire city
56 "Deutschland — Alles"
57 Undiluted
58 Scissors cut
60 Mimicked
62 Soapmaker's solution

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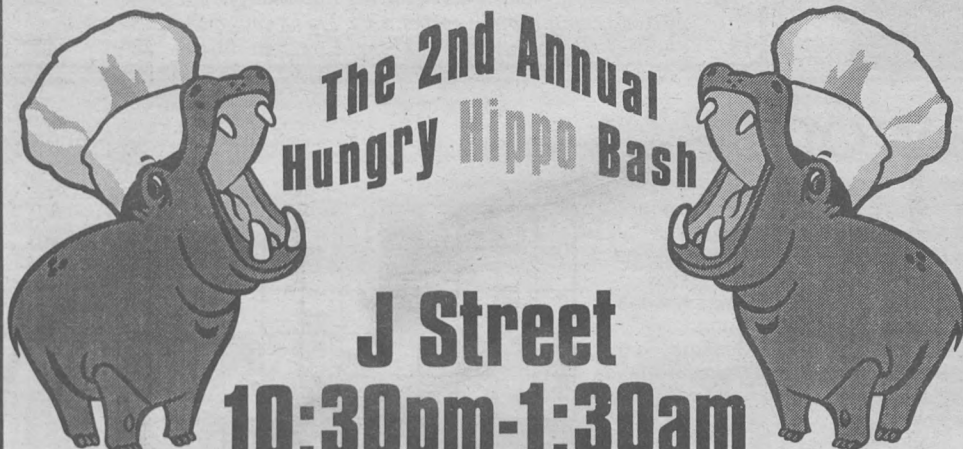
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